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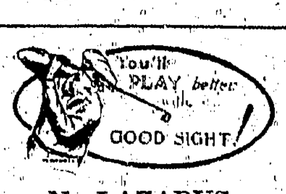

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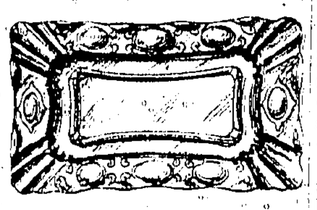

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MILLION RUPEES.

Alleged Big Deal in Opium.

LOCAL MERCHANT INVOLVED.

Defence Criticises Methods of Prosecution.

Remittances by telegraphic transfer amounting to over a million rupees through the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation were mentioned in evidence before Mr. K. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning when Chan Chor-chiu, proprietor of the Kwong Hing Loong firm, of No. 108, Des Vœux Road Central, first floor, was charged with being concerned in an alleged attempt to aid and abet the smuggling of opium.

When the case was first mentioned it was stated that a million rupees' worth of opium was aboard the Chinese ship "Philadelphia" in transit from Persia to China and the plans were that junks were to be awaiting the ship at Macao for receiving the drug.

The case arose from certain books and documents seized in the possession of the defendant by Senior Revenue Officer Watt and Revenue Officer Ward.

Mr. J. D. Lloyd (Superintendent of Imports and Exports) prosecuted in the case, and Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for the defence.

Representatives from the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company and the Bank of Canton appeared on sub-poena to give evidence in the case.

Mr. Lo made a strong objection to such evidence being called by the prosecution until the actual charges against the defendant were revealed. He said that Mr. Lloyd was placed in a difficulty to gather evidence in the case, and by calling the witnesses before disclosing the charges he was trying to trump up a case against the defendant. He termed the procedure as irregular and referred to it as "fishing interrogatories."

Mr. Lindsell said that this evidence might after all not amount to anything but while Mr. Lo agreed that this might be so, he still argued on the irregularity and said this was "a fishing case."

Mr. Lloyd in reply mentioned that it was necessary to sub-poena the witnesses to produce certain papers which he believed to be relevant to the investigations.

After further arguments by the defence, Mr. Lindsell said that he would note the objection, but he could not agree with Mr. Lo.

Evidence of Cables.

The first witness called was Mr. E. J. Patterson, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company. He produced a cable despatched by Shing Fook, 49 Bonham Strand, on July 21 to Yu Hong, Foochow. The question of relevancy being raised, Mr. Lloyd produced a receipt for the cable which was identified by the witness.

Other cables mentioned were two addressed to the Kwong Hing Loong firm from Bushire; nine cables from Macao signed by various people to Behbehani, Bushire; further sixteen cables addressed to various persons in Macao, all from Bushire with the exception of two which came from Sabang.

The next witness was Mr. Un Shiu-fan, secretary of the Bank of Canton, who produced an extract of the current account of the Kwing Hing Loong firm since May 1, 1926 also four cheques (all bearer cheques) drawn on the account and passed for payment.

Revenue Officer Ward gave evidence of visiting the defendant's premises and discovering a locked safe, which was opened with a key produced by the defendant. He said that inside the safe was a cash box, to which there was no key. The box was forced open and contained jewellery and six documents.

Big Banking Deals.

The documents found in the cash box, which were three receipts with their counterparts in Chinese, formed the subject of questions to the next witness, Mr. Ho Wing, compradore of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

Witness identified the documents and said they were receipts for money paid in for telegraphic transfers in rupees, the destination being Bombay. In the case of one document he explained that the words "Shing Fook" in brackets meant that the money was paid by Shing Fook on account of Kwong Hing Loong.

Witness referred to exchange contracts made in respect of the telegraphic transfers. One made on May 7, 1926, amounted to 100,000 rupees, and another on August 3 to 900,00 rupees. On these contracts 880,000 rupees was remitted on August 4 and the balance on August 6. A further contract referred to was for 21,853 rupees made on April 6. Witness said that the payee in each case was Behbehani.

Questioned regarding previous deals between the same parties, witness said that he traced two remittances, in November 1925 for 662,000 rupees and 22,000 rupees, the equivalents in local currency being $421,656.05 and $13,390.46 respectively.

Witness said that he did not know the people in the Shing Fook firm, but the Shing Fook bank at the same address was known to him.

At the close of this evidence Mr. Lloyd said that he would have to "wrestle" with the cables which were all in code and until this was done he could not proceed further. He anticipated no difficulty in decoding the telegrams.

"Cart Before Horse."

Commenting again on the procedure of calling evidence, Mr. Lo said that it may be a continental way of conducting a case but one which he had never heard of in Hong Kong. He said that His Worship had, as it were, put the cart before the horse.

Mr. Lindsell said it seemed to him that many crimes would go unpunished if such methods were not adopted. The point raised was, however, quite interesting.

Mr. Lo argued further on the point of "fishing" and said that a defendant in a criminal case should have the same right as in a civil case.

The case was formally adjourned for one week.

POWERS IN CHINA

U.S. MINISTER'S STRAIGHT TALK.

EXTRALITY NOT YET.

Shanghai, Sept. 16.

Mr. J. V. A. MacMurray (U. S. Minister to China), speaking at a dinner in the American Club here last night, stated:—

"My instructions are to take the point of view that extrality is a necessary evil."

Mr. MacMurray added that we all look forward to the time when we can do without it and the Chinese formed their own sovereignty, when we will gladly surrender our rights; but we cannot do so now since the cause of justice is at stake and America must see her nationals duly protected.—Reuter.

Stop Russia's Work.

Paris, Sept. 16.

The French newspaper "Avenir" urges the energetic intervention of the Powers in China, with the object of stopping Russia's work there. The journal says that Great Britain is not the only country against which hostilities in China are aimed.—Reuter.

PEAK TRAM DELAY.

OVER-RUNNING CAUSES KINK.

Due to the over-running of the bottom car whilst tests were being carried out on the Peak Tram track early this morning, a kink developed in the rope near to the car attachment.

This necessitated a certain portion of the rope being taken out and there was a delay in the commencement of the service. Residents were notified by telephone that there was a possibility of the service not commencing before 8-30 a.m. The repairs were completed before that time, however, and the service resumed from 8-15 a.m.

IRISH PROMOTION.

GENERALISSIMO OF 9 PROVINCES.

2ND CLASS HUNTING DOG.

[By Our Special Correspondent.]

From marshal of five provinces Marshal Sun Chuan-fang has now been "elevated" to the position of generalissimo of nine.

Such promotion is an honour which is akin to that known as "Irish."

It has not been made by an order of General Chang Kai-shek (whose Central Military Department describes Sun Chuan-fang as a 2nd class hunting-dog of the Imperialists, Wu Pei-fu being the 1st class), nor has the appointment come from Peking.

A military conference in Kiangsi passed a resolution asking Sun Chuan-fang to become commander-in-chief of Kiangsu, Chekiang, Anhui, Fukien and Kiangsi (which he already holds), and also Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Hunan and Hupeh!

Among those present at the meeting were Lt.-General Ma Chai, Lt.-General Yieh Kai-chin, Major-General Tse Man-ping, Major-General Lau Chee-luk and General Chao Heng-ti.

What Caused the War.

The last-named is pretender to the Tuchunship of Hunan. His struggle with General Tang Sang-chee led to the present war. Chao was supported by Wu Pei-fu and Tang was adopted by the Nationalists when he retired into Kwangtung.

Ma Chai is one of the old Kwangsi militarist clique. Lau Che-luk was governor of Swatow during Chan Kwing-ming's time. With Tse Man-ping, he took the remants of the anti-Red Cantonese into Kiangsi and Hunan, after the Nationalist drive on the East River last year. Yieh Kai-chin fought in the rearguard actions all the way from the Kwangtung frontier to Hankow.

There are now a few thousand men of the former Chan Kwing-ming Army, on Wu Pei-fu's side.

The conference also appointed General Chao Heng-ti as generalissimo of the three provinces of Kwangtung, Kwangsi and Hunan (all of which are entirely occupied by the Nationalists!), as a subordinate of Sun Chuan-fang.

Still Showing Fight.

The names of the leaders mentioned are those who successfully evacuated their forces from Hankow and vicinity. Going down the Yangtse, they have entered Sun Chuan-fang's domains. Anxious to make another bid against the southerners, they profess direct allegiance to him, instead of to Wu Pei-fu, so as to get his sanction and his assistance. Being natives of the provinces concerned, they claim the right to elect their own ruler!

Every day there seems more likelihood of Sun Chuan-fang being forced to fight against the southerners, but he has not declared war yet. In view of his last fight with Chang Tso-lin, it is not surprising that he seeks an alliance with him first, before taking the field.

The tone of the southern papers has changed against Sun Chuan-fang. Ten days ago they hailed him as an ally, now as a 2nd class dog.

Chang Tso-lin is reported to have promised immediate material assistance to Wu Pei-fu, without entering Sun Chuan-fang's provinces.

CRUISERS LEAVE HOME.

Carysfort and Castor Now on the Way.

London, September 16.

H.M.S. "Carysfort" left for the China Station yesterday afternoon.—Reuter.

London, September 16.

The British cruiser "Castor" left Sheerness last night for Hong Kong with naval reliefs for the ships recommissioning on the China Station.—Reuter.

ELECTRIC TRAINS?

SUGGESTION FOR KOWLOON TONG.

ANOTHER READER'S VIEW

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—I wish, as another Kowloon Tong resident, to endorse the claims to greater recognition on the part of the local Government put forward by your correspondent yesterday.

The statement appended in the editorial footnote that according to enquiries in official circles it was considered that the buses afforded a sufficient service, at any rate at present, is evidence of ignorance on the part of whoever was approached.

When the new roads are finished and the new buses on them ready, then will be the time to consider whether a road service is sufficient, but at the present time it is a considerable walk from some parts of the estate to other roads which are served with buses.

But there is no reason why the railway should give way to the road whenever a new district is opened up. It seems to me a question of initiative and if the construction of a halt on the present line is impracticable then why not a special service of electric trains? A district with some 170 houses practically completed and another 100 to go up is not one lightly to be regarded and money invested by the railway in this manner would probably be a good investment.

The failure of the Government to proceed with a railway scheme is, to my mind, typical of its inactivity with regard to the Kowloon Tong scheme generally. The roads serving it should have been complete ages ago and would have been if the Government had not curtailed work on them. The actual ground allocated to the directors of the scheme has been handed over piecemeal as the work of clearing the hills has progressed and there has been considerable delay in putting the work of erection in hand owing to the slow progress of clearing the land and putting in drains. The whole scheme would, I understand, have been completed by now, were it not for this.

Is it not high time that the Government got a "jerk on" in regard to this work and also considered the economic possibilities of providing transport facilities for a growing locality?

Yours, etc.,

ANOTHER RESIDENT.

Kowloon Tong, Sept. 15.

STORMY WARNINGS.

TYPHOON S.W. OF NAHA.

N.W. winds, moderate. Variable winds at first, moderate E. winds later; generally overcast, occasional rain, is the forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

At ten o'clock this morning a typhoon of unknown intensity was within 60 miles of Lat. 25deg. N., Long. 126deg. E., moving N.E.

Pressure has increased slightly over Formosa. It has decreased moderately from the Loochoos to S.W. Japan and slightly over the remainder of Japan and over Tongking. It is nearly stationary over the Philippines.

According to a Manila warning this morning, a cyclone or typhoon is S.W. of Naha, moving E.N.E. Recd. 16d. 11h. 13m.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.04 inch.

Total since January 1, 78.61 inches, against an average of 71.39 inches.

THIEF CAUGHT.

Mr. R. R. Cuthbert, a Hoihow merchant, was walking near the Astor House Hotel yesterday evening along with Mr. P. A. Corbett when a ricsha coolie extracted $7 from his pocket and ran away by an alley way into Des Vœux Road. The man was arrested by a detective.

After hearing evidence, the coolie was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning.

FIGHTING RENEWED.

Wu Pei-fu's 3 Lines of Defence.

WUCHANG GARRISON'S DEMAND.

Want $1,200,000 and Liberty for Surrender.

[By Our Special Correspondent.]

Fighting has broken out on a small scale on Wu Pei-fu's advanced front line at Hsiaokan (to the north of Hankow), on the railway to Peking.

Although Nationalist reports claim the entry of two brigades of the 8th army into Hsiaokan, the northerners are still defending there and have counter-attacked on a flank. The fighting has been on a smaller scale comparatively.

At Kwangshui, the northerners' second line, the troops are still resting and reorganising.

On the third line at Wusingkwan the northerners are active. Subordinates have arrived with 50,000 fresh troops for Wu Pei-fu including 8,000 men from his "crack" 3rd division.

Till Winter Comes.

A detachment has already marched off to attempt an attack on the west of Hankow and Hanyang.

Wu Pei-fu is holding up a general offensive till the political situation becomes less obscure.

He is still hoping for active participation in the war by Chang Tso-lin and Sun Chuan-fang.

Time will also give Wu Pei-fu an opportunity of procuring money and munitions. The approach of winter will also be in his favour as the southerners will be unused to the cold.

No definite effort seems to have been made to raise the siege of Wuchang, where the garrison is still holding out.

Money for Surrender.

The defenders insist on payment of $1,200,000 from the merchants before they will surrender. From Chang Kai-shek they ask for an undertaking that they will be given a territory, in exchange for Wuchang, and that they will not be interfered with. The Nationalist reply was another bombardment which was not so sustained as in the early days.

On the wave of success, two divisions of General Li Chung-jen's (Kwangsi) army are making sallies on Wuchang intermittently and staying in the front lines. These troops were practically untrained before the Expedition started. A number of former Chan Kwing-ming officers are serving under General Li.

A Chinese report says that Wu Pei-fu's Yangtse gunboats and the warships of Sun Chuan-fang have joined hands at Wuyueh.

Relieving Pressure.

There has been no further invasion of Kiangsi by the southerners nor has Sun Chuan-fang directed more forces towards the frontier.

Southerners are still being withdrawn from Hankow and vicinity, southwards, to bear the brunt of future hostilities in Kiangsi.

This step has relieved the pressure on Wu Pei-fu and Wuchang and gives the impression that Chang Kai-shek prefers to use his war-worn troops rather than the three armies of non-Cantonese mercenaries under his command, viz., the 2nd under Tan Yin-kai, the 3rd under Chu Pei-tah and the 6th under Ching Chien.

Peking, Sept. 15.

A Hankow message says the Southerners have taken Hsiaokan.

Hankow is denuded of Southern troops, owing to the despatch of the remaining forces southward, to oppose Sun Chuan-fang.—Reuter.

A fine of $25, or four weeks' imprisonment, was the sentence at the Magistracy this morning on a Chinese woman charged with cruelty to a servant girl by beating her all over the body. Order was made for the girl to be sent to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for him to decide whether she should be handed back to the woman or sent to the Po Leung Kok.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

BELFAST LINEN MARKET REPORT.

The linen market for the fortnight ending August 10 states:—

Flax.

Irish.—The new crop promises to be a remunerative one for growers as it has grown well, and in cases where it has already been pulled, has shown a large bulk of straw to the acre.

The sowing, according to official figures, shows a reduction of 20 per cent. compared with last year.

Courtral.—There is nothing new to report.

Russian.—Nothing fresh to report.

Yarns.

During the past two weeks a very considerable amount of business has been forthcoming. Prices unchanged. The appreciation in the value of the franc has scarcely had time to affect prices. The uncertainty in the exchange has for some time militated against business. It is certain, however, that if present—or even lower—rates are maintained that it will prevent to a considerable extent the importation of foreign yarns.

Weavers.

Considerably more interest is being shown at present than for some time past. A general feeling now prevailing that prices have touched bottom, there being a much firmer yarn market. Thus some merchants are now operating for their requirements a distance ahead.

Merchants.

In the merchant end there is little change to report, and warehouses are engaged in shipping the orders falling due for delivery in August.

As regards new business this month is always looked upon as a holiday period, and many buyers are from home on their annual vacation.

While new business is not yet forthcoming in sufficient volume, a feeling seems to be gaining ground that once the buying season opens next month there will be a considerable increase in the turnover.

Dress Linens.—Business so far as dress linens and suitings are concerned is slow in expanding, but some advance orders have been placed for next season.

Some satisfactory orders have been arranged for linen suitings but the demand has not been up to expectations.

Enquiries, however, are numerous and further orders should shortly be placed from sample lots of new fabrics now in the hands of making up concerns in U.S.A.

BOMBAY BACKBAY.

Committee Proceeding To England.

Bombay, August 28.

Sir M. Visweswarayya, Sir Frederick Hopkinson, and Mr. S. B. Billimoria, members of the Backbay Inquiry Committee, after completing the examination of witnesses in India, are proceeding to England to-day.

The Chairman, Sir Grimwood Mears, is detained owing to ill-health, but is expected to sail by the next boat.

The Committee will examine Sir George Buchanan in London, and on the way will hold sittings in Egypt to examine Baron Lloyd, who was responsible for the inception of the scheme.

Among other passengers on the mail-boat is the Maharajah of Burdwan, a member of the Indian delegation to the League of Nations.

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MANCHESTER WEEKLY MARKET REPORT.

Messrs. James F. Hutton & Co., Ltd., Manchester, Manufacturers and Exporters of Piece Goods to India, China, etc., in their weekly report dated August 11, state:—

The news this week is more than usually interesting, the chief cause being the issue of the Washington Bureau report. The figures as regards maximum and minimum are on the favourable side very considerably compared with 12 months ago. Spot cotton has many points as a set off, but cloth prices are no easier; this may be due to the fact that some makers anticipate an unfavourable position as regards yarns when the basic prices scheme comes into operation next week. It is certainly good news that the world should have an abundant supply of cotton rather than a shortage, and it would seem practically certain that this will be the position; there is always to be taken into account the vagaries of the weather, as well as the insect trouble; this latter has, in some areas, caused great concern. A remarkable point is the fact that there is an increased acreage, notwithstanding the large carryover from last season. It is suggested that this may be a move on the part of America to attempt to impede efforts in other parts to develop the cotton growing industry, even if it be necessary to sell below cost. This idea is not generally accepted: American traders are given a little more credit for shrewdness, and it could scarcely be conceived that the great efforts made in other directions would be so readily discouraged. Cheaper cotton with harmonising prices of yarn and an end of the coal strike should bring about the revival in business we have all been wanting for a long time. Generally, business is on the moderate side; this can only be expected in the present turmoil. None of the large markets has done business of any moment: China is only buying sparsely, India appears to be satisfying a demand that must meet a particular market time, and even this on a small scale. Of course, we must not overlook internal troubles; Calcutta for instance, as a cause for some of the diminution of demand. Spinners made an effort to retain the benefit of the drop in the raw material, but few, if any, were successful.

PENANG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Kennedy and Co., Penang, reported on September 4 as follows:

The Share Market has shown a much brighter tone during the past week, especially in the Mining section, quotations in many instances showing substantial advances since our last report. The price of Tin has again improved to £292 5s. 0d. but closes slightly below the best at £289 15s. 0d. Rubber shows little change at 1/7¾ while practically no interest is being taken in shares. Industrials and Loans continue in good demand.

Rubbers.—While there are few enquiries for shares holders are in no hurry to sell and business in this section continues to be very difficult.

Mines.—Among Home Sterlings, Pangrin New Issue have been taken at 34/- at which more are wanted while the Old Shares have buyers at 36/-. Ipoh have advanced to 52/- but sellers are scarce. Lahat have been taken up to 25/- but close sellers under. Malayan Tin have changed hands at 30/- cum. Pahang offer round 15/-, but Pengkalen have buyers at $21.00 after sales slightly under. Repong are firmer at 66/- and Teja at 34/-, but Temengor are now available at 29/6 with little enquiry.

Australian Dredgers have been fairly active with business to be recorded in Huey Yot Ordinary at 32/-, Kuala Lumpur up to 37/6, Puchong at 12/a premium. Ratrut at 17/-. Takuapo at 47.6. Thabawleik at 57/6. Tin Bentong at 49/6 cum. and Tongkah Harbour at $18.50, all closing in good enquiry. A few Asam Kumbang offer at 68/-, Jelapang at 43/6 and Kampong at 49/-, while Kopah, Tin Songkhla, Satu Pulo, Kundang and Rawang are all wanted but few shares are available.

Local Issues have been well supported Batang Padang have made 85c. and Klang River $3.80 at which more can be placed. Kuchai are wanted at $2.25 with sellers asking $2.30. A new flotation, Kuyoh Tin Dredging Co., has been favourably received, and transactions have been made between $1.30 and $1.40. Lingui have changed hands at $1.90, Mambau have improved to $1.42½ cum. a final 2½ per cent. and interim 5 per cent. dividends. Mural have come in for more enquiry at $2.10 but Nal Hoot are easier at $1.05. Nawng Pet can be placed at $1.80, North Taiping at $1.00; Pattani at 95c. but Petaling are a shade easier at $4.30. Rahman offer at $2.70, Rantau Ordinary and Preference are both in enquiry at $1.50 while South Taiping are marked up 4c. at 74c. Teluk Kruin are available at $1.65. Taiping have changed hands in fair numbers from $1.96 to $1.97½, sellers over at the higher figure, while Ulu Piah have made up to $1.85 at which more are available.

Industrials. — Eastern Smelting Ordinary have been taken at $17.50; Georgetown Dispensary have buyers at $2.25 but nothing offers. Malayan Collieries close round $41.00 after sales at this figure. Straits Steamship have made $396.00 and Straits Trading $37.25 closing in further enquiry. United Engineers Ordinary have advanced to $12.75 while Wearne offer at $18.00.

Loans.—All issues are in good demand at quotations but transactions have been negligible.

Recent dividends declared include:—

Rubber.

Bukit Gajah Rubber Co., Ltd. 5 per cent. 1st int. for the year ending March 31, 1927, payable on the 4th instant. Books close from the 3rd to 4th instant.

Riverview Estates, Ltd. 10 per cent. 3rd inst. for the year ending December 31, 1926, payable on the 15th instant. Books close from the 12th to 15th instant.

Temerloh Coconut & Rubber Estates, Ltd. 5 per cent. 1st int. for the year ending April 30, 1927, payable on the 9th instant. Books close from the 8th to 9th instant.

Tin.

Mambau Tin, Ltd. 2½ per cent. final making 12½ per cent. for the year ended June 30, 1926 and 5 per cent. int. for the year ending June 30, 1927, both payable on the 15th instant. Books close from the 9th to 15th instant.

Latest available quotations:—

	London.	Local.
Tin 3 m/s.	£289-15-0	$147.87½
Rubber Crepe	1/7¾	67c.
Rubber Smoked Sheet	1/7¾	67c.

FINNISH LOAN.

AGREEMENT WITH AMERICAN GROUP.

Helsingfors, September 15.

"An Agreement has been signed by a New York financial group and the Finnish Government and the Bank of Finland for a long term loan of $15,000,000.—Reuter.

HONGKONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888, and 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high-and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two

September 10 to 16, 1926.

Date		High Water Standard Times	Ht.	Lower Water Standard Times	Ht.
Fri.	10	m 10 53	8.5	m 4 46	2.7
		11 18a	5.5	5 37 a	2.3
Sat.	11	m 11 28	6.1	m 5 24	2.7
		11 44a	5.8	5 55 a	2.7
Sun.	12	0 12a	5.6	m 6 5	2.7
				6 21 a	3.1
Mon.	13	m 0 16	6.0	m 6 56	2.8
		1 8a	5.0	6 44 a	3.5
Tues.	14	m 0 53	6.2	m 8 8	2.9
		2 22a	4.5	7 6 a	3.8
Wed.	15	m 1 44	6.3	m 9 41	2.8
		4 24a	4.3	7 32 a	4.1
Thurs.	16	m 2 52	6.5	m 11 28	1.5
		6 12a	4.3	8 31 a	4.2

HONGKONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

			Sept. 8 1926. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Beef Sirloin	牛尾肥	lb.	32	24	12
„ Prime Cut		„	32	23	12
„ Corned	咸牛肉	„	—	23	12
„ Roast	燒牛肉	„	32	24	22
„ Breast	牛腩	„	28	20	18
„ Soup	湯肉	„	28	20	18
„ Steak	牛肉扒	„	32	24	22
„ Steak Sirloin	牛柳	„	45	30	35
„ Sausages	牛腸	„	40	26	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	15	10	12
„ Tongue, fresh	牛脷	each	70	50	60
„ Tongue, corned	咸牛脷	„	—	60	—
„ Head	牛頭	„	$1.20	—	$1.20
„ Heart	牛心	lb.	22	13	14
„ Hump, Salt	牛肩	„	38	20	18
„ Feet	牛腳	each	10	10	12
„ Kidneys	牛腰	„	15	10	12
„ Tail	牛尾	„	30	20	22
„ Liver	牛肝	lb.	22	18	14
„ Tripe	牛肚	„	8	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛仔頭腳	set	$1.20	$1.00	$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊扒骨	lb.	48	26	—
„ Leg	羊脾	„	48	26	—
„ Shoulder	羊手	„	45	24	—
„ Saddle	羊鞍肉	„	45	—	—
Pig's Chitlings	豬腸	„	24	—	27
„ Brains	豬腦	Per set	8	—	12
„ Feet	豬腳	lb.	20	15	—
„ Fry	豬什	„	28	15	18
„ Head	豬頭	„	20	20	—
„ Heart	豬心	each	13	10	10
„ Kidneys	豬腰	„	13	10	8
„ Liver	豬肝	lb.	48	30	24
Pork Chop	豬扒骨	„	38	25	23
„ Leg	豬脾	„	38	—	—
„ Loin	豬後[illegible]	„	44	60	70
„ Fat or Lard	豬油	„	23	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭腳	per set	75	60	70
„ Heart	羊心	each	14	8	7
„ Kidneys	羊腰	„	15	12	10
„ Liver	羊肝	„	50	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	乳豬	lb.	25	25	22
Suet, Beef	鮮牛油	„	32	20	18
„ Mutton	鮮羊油	„	55	26	24
Veal	牛仔肉	„	36	20	19
„ Sausages	牛仔腸	„	40	20	20
„ „ No. 1		„	[illegible]	—	—

Fish.

			Sept. 8 1926. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Barbel	[illegible]魚	lb.	32	19	24
Bream	[illegible]魚	„	30	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish	塘魚 水魚 (省城淡水海鮮)	„	37	18	16
Carp	鯉魚	„	36	16	27
Catfish	[illegible]魚	„	32	12	9
Codfish	[illegible]魚	„	55	20	25
Crabs	蟹	„	24	23	26
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	„	28	16	2
Dab		„	80	23	16
Dace	黃尾[illegible]	„	24	10	9
Dog Fish	[illegible]肚沙	„	12	10	8
Eels, Conger	海[illegible]	„	40	16	—
„ Fresh Water	淡水魚	„	36	10	18
„ Yellow	黃鱔	„	75	26	30
Frogs	田雞	„	90	32	25
Garoupa	石斑	„	80	40	30
Gudgeon	白[illegible]魚	„	24	18	15
Herrings	[illegible]白	„	36	22	18
Halibut	[illegible]甲	„	40	18	23
Labrus	黃花	„	38	22	18
Loach	烏魚	„	80	22	24
Lobsters	龍蝦	„	90	32	21
Mackerel	[illegible]魚	„	42	20	26
Monk Fish	芒魚	„	55	32	28
Mullet	[illegible]魚	„	28	13	2
Oysters	鮮蠔	„	36	16	22
Parrot Fish	[illegible]公魚	„	32	14	9
Perch	[illegible]	„	36	20	15
Pike	花斑芒	„	20	16	9
Plaice	斑魚	„	60	28	14
Pomfret, Black	[illegible]鯧	„	55	28	29
Pomfret, White	白鯧	„	60	36	30
Prawns	明蝦	„	85	36	45
Ray	[illegible]	„	16	10	14
Rock Fish	石狗公	„	24	18	18
Roach	[illegible]魚	„	45	22	16
Salmon	[illegible]	„	80	36	30
Shark	沙魚	„	16	8	10
Skate	[illegible]魚	„	32	10	10
Shrimps	[illegible]	„	75	26	35
Snapper	立魚	„	45	32	30
Soles	[illegible]沙魚	„	36	23	23
Tench	[illegible]口魚	„	40	22	18
Turbot	左口魚	„	35	18	12
Turtles, small, fr. water	[illegible]魚	„	$1.25	40	—

Poultry.

			Sept. 8 1926. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Chicken	雞	lb.	55	30	31
Capons, Small	騸雞	„	50	28	30
Capons, Large	肥騸雞	„	60	28	30
Duck	鴨	„	40	22	21
Doves	斑鳩	each	—	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	30	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮雞蛋	„	35	25	20
Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	75	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	„	45	36	24
Geese	鵝	„	50	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	55	30	—
„ Holhow	海口鴿	„	32	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	火雞公	lb.	—	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火雞乸	„	—	51	45
Snipe	沙追	each	—	—	—
Pheasant	山雞	pair	—	—	—
Quail	鵪鶉	„	—	—	1
Partridges	鷓鴣	„	—	—	—

Fruits.

			Sept. 8 1926. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Almonds	杏仁	lb.	40	35	—
Apples California)	金山蘋果	„	25	24	—
Bananas (bride's)	[illegible]香蕉	„	6	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	„	15	12	—
Cocoanuts	椰子	each	12	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	10	7	—
Lemons (America)	金山檸檬	each	6	8	—
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	35	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	„	—	—	—
Oranges	橙	„	12	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	„	15	—	—
Peanuts	花生	„	12	10	12
Persimmons, Large	紅柿	„	15	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	„	4	3	4
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	15	12	6
Walnuts	合桃	lb.	12	—	15
Grapes	菩提子	„	40	—	—

Vegetables, &c.

			Sept. 8 1926. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Artichokes	[illegible]芝竹	each	—	—	8
Beans, Sprout	芽菜	lb.	8	—	7
„ Long	豆角	„	15	8	—
Beet Root	紅菜頭	each	3	8	8
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	lb.	10	—	—
Brinjals, Green	[illegible]瓜	„	8	5	9
„ Red	[illegible]瓜	„	6	5	8
Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	„	12	5	12
„ (Shanghai)	[illegible]菜	„	20	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch	[illegible]笋	„	15	—	—
Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜花	each	—	—	—
„ (Medium)	中椰菜花	„	—	—	—
„ (Small)	細椰菜花	lb.	—	6	6
Carrots	金笋	„	15	6	6
Celery, Chinese	塘蒿菜	„	12	10	6
Chillies, Dried	辣椒干	„	30	25	5
„ Red	紅花椒	„	15	10	16
„ Green	青辣椒	„	—	8	12
Curry Stuff, English	架厘材料	„	10	8	—
Cucumbers	青瓜	each	5	2	—
Garlic	蒜頭	„	10	6	6
Ginger, Young	子薑	„	10	7	—
„ Old	老薑	„	12	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai	(辣)	each	5	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米	„	6	45	—
Lettuce	生菜	lb.	8	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬蹄	„	8	—	8
„ Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	„	12	—	3
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菇	„	40	—	3
Okroes		„	12	1	10
Onions, Bombay	[illegible]葱頭	„	—	8	3
„ Green	生葱	„	10	4	6
„ Shanghai	上海葱頭	„	6	6	—
Parsley	芹菜	„	80	60	8
Potato, Sweet	番薯	„	5	8	—
„ Japanese	日本薯仔	„	—	8	—
„ American	金山薯仔	„	—	8	10
Pumpkin	[illegible]瓜	„	5	4	4
Radish	紅蘿蔔仔	„	8	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大黃	„	—	—	10
Shallots	干葱[illegible]	„	—	8	—
Spinach	[illegible]菜	„	8	4	—
Tomatoes	[illegible]茄	„	15	7	—
Taros	[illegible]頭	„	8	6	—
Turnips, Pant (Long)	[illegible]	„	—	4	—
Vegetable Marrow	[illegible]瓜	„	10	4	—
Water Cress	[illegible]洋菜	„	15	15	—
Water Lily Root	[illegible]	„	8	4	—

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NOTICES.

CHINESE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

ON and after 1st November, 1926, for a period of two months, a surtax for Famine Relief of one tenth on all collections of Revenue (including Likin and Chingfei) made by Maritime and Native Customs—except Tonnage Dues—will be levied.

Shipments to China made prior to 1st November, 1926 will be exempt from this Surtax.

N. R. M. SHAW,
Acting Commissioner of Customs
ad interim,
For Kowloon & District.
B. O. Inspector General of Chinese Customs.

York Buildings,
Hongkong, 13th Sept., 1926.

NOTICE.

IN THE ESTATE OF JAMES CYRIL DALMAHOY ALLAN, DECEASED.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of the above named deceased are requested to send particulars to the undersigned forthwith.

Dated the 14th day of September, 1926.

DEACONS,
Solicitors for the Executors,
1, Des Voeux Road, Central.

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE SIX YEARLY DRAWING of TWENTY DEBENTURES of the Hong Kong Club 1920 issue—$500 each—was held in the Club House on TUESDAY, the 14th September, 1926, when the following Debentures were Drawn for redemption:—

5	348	435	682
49	368	474	689
65	380	524	703
225	384	561	743
300	425	679	753

and will be payable at the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on THURSDAY, the 30th September, 1926, in exchange for surrender of same.

By Order,
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Secretary.

Hong Kong, 14th September, 1926.

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HANKOW EVENTS.

FOREIGN MISSIONS IN DANGER.

NATIVE PANIC.

Two shells fell near the s.s. "Tungting" and the s.s. "Woosung" which were anchored at Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's property.

Precautions in the Concessions were maintained, both Concessions' defence forces and naval units standing to. During the latter part of the day evidence of panic among the native population from the city was observable in the crowds which made their way to the Concessions.

It might be mentioned that during the fighting in Hanyang on Sunday (September 5), the mission stations in Hanyang and those at Wushenmiao and Griffith John College suffered a heavy shower of bullets.

Further some shells were fired, some of these missiles falling on the Chinese Race Club Road while about a dozen went so far as Jardine Estate.

In anticipation of the fighting's coming closer a notice was issued in the British Concession warning people against going on to roofs to watch proceedings lest a congregation of people drew fire from the opposing forces.

Shell By Accident.

In Hanyang the Southerners placarded the place describing their aims. These were First gaining the freedom of the people. Second, extermination of Wu Pei-fu and Third "beating" of the British.

The firing on foreign vessels from Wuchang-hsien seems to have been dropped somewhat though when the American torpedo boats passed on their way up the hail of bullets was so thick that two of the sailors were wounded though not seriously. A shell was also fired evidently by accident from one of the cruisers. The latest thing now is, however, to fire at the departing steamers from Hankow and the s.s. "Luenho" was the target of a lively fire when she left for down river on Sunday night.—"C. C. Post."

Merchants' Activities.

Negotiations were pending between the Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Hankow and the International Chamber of Commerce, for the sending of a joint letter to Marshal Wu Pei-fu and an identical letter to the Commander of the Cantonese forces of the Northern Expedition at Wuhan, asking them to agree to cessation of hostilities in the district.

The matter was brought up by the Chinese Chamber, who sought the co-operation first of the Consuls of the port. The Consular Body advised the Chinese merchants that the matter had better be taken up with the foreign merchants of Hankow, which was then done through the International Chamber. — "Hankow Herald."

BRITISH POLICY.

CONCERNED OVER CANTON SITUATION.

IS JAPAN SINISTER?

London, Sept. 1.

The British Government appears to be seriously concerned over the situation in Canton, particularly over the firing upon Hong Kong steamers and the stoning of foreigners.

It is generally expected that General Chang Kai-shek, the leader of the Northern Expeditionary Force, will be successful in his contest with Marshal Wu Pei-fu and that his victory will make the situation more acute than ever.

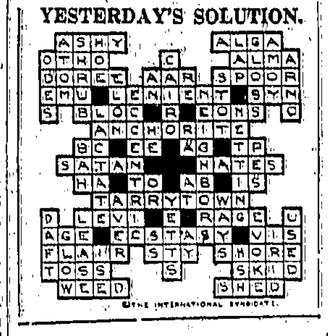
Still Children.

"China is still a nation of children," declares the Peking correspondent of the "Times." He insists in a dispatch received to-day that the policy of the United States to keep its hands off in China is now outworn. The correspondent further insists that the Powers make most solemn demands and take steps to enforce the demilitarisation of the railroads.

"Is the policy of Japan so sinister, though ill-judged, he asks "as to let her huge neighbour run to ruin in the hope that when all other foreign interests are destroyed she will be able to step in and retrieve the situation for her own benefit alone?"—By Hugh Byas, in the "Japan Advertiser."

Peking, September 6.—General Wang Tuai-ching, Commandant of the local garrison, has renewed his request for $800,000 from the Customs a month for the payment of his garrison and the police force. It is understood that the Waichiaopu and the Customs Administration are discussing the matter with the Diplomatic Corps.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



ALLEGED FRAUD.

GAS COMPANY'S DEALINGS IN TAR.

TWO CHINESE CHARGED.

An employee of the Gas Company named Po Sun was charged before Major Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday with stealing 33 barrels of tar, making false entries in an account book, and with conspiring to defraud. Chan Hin, an employee of the Fook Kee godown, was also charged with making false entries, receiving the tar, and conspiring to defraud.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara prosecuted on behalf of the Gas Company, Mr. M. K. Lo watched on behalf of the godown owners, Mr. W. B. Hind represented the Gas Company employee and Mr. A. J. O'Donoghue defended Chan Hin.

Mr. Macnamara explained that the charges referred to alleged offences last month. The godown owners had a contract with the Gas Company for the supply of tar, and under this 30,000 gallons had been delivered.

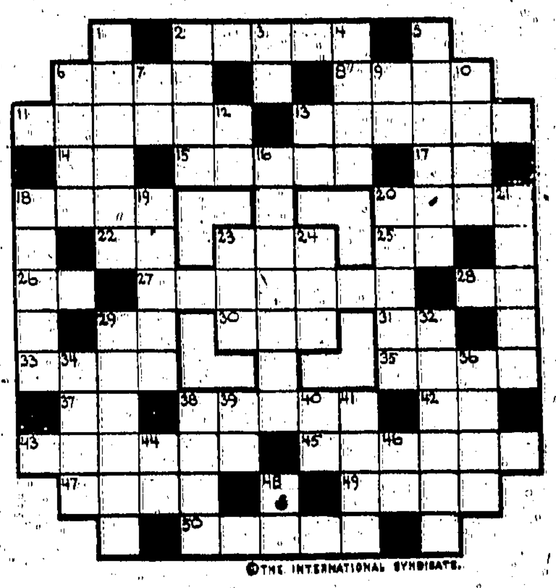
As the barrels left the Gas Company's premises, the watchman entered the exact number in a book. Entries were also made when they were received at the godown. Mr. Macnamara said that the entries in both books were wrong, and he would prove that the two men had conspired to pass more barrels than appeared in the books. When suspicions were aroused the tanks in the godown were measured and found to be in excess of what should have been there.

Mr. Hind asked for an adjournment, while Mr. O'Donoghue submitted that there was no evidence against his client.

The case was adjourned until Monday.

OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL
2–Calls to
6–A walking-stick
8–Part of the body
11–To change from bad to good
13–Janitor of a church
14–Pronoun
15–Two-footed animal
17–Like
18–Lost blood
20–Fog
22–Act
23–Part of fish
25–One, or any
26–Chopping tool
27–Loudly
28–Thus
29–Proceed
30–Lid
31–Conjunction
33–Disfiguring mark
35–Pause in music
37–Part of the verb "to be"

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
38–To test
42–River in Italy
43–Jostles
45–Drying cloths
47–To run away from
49–Peruse
50–Thick

VERTICAL
1–Blown gently
2–Plant that dies completely after flowering
3–Exists
4–To molt
5–To hold back
6–To provide a ceiling for
7–Large southern city (abbr.)
9–Prefix meaning former
10–Privation

VERTICAL (Cont.)
12–Note of the scale
13–Point of the compass (abbr.)
16–Deleterious substances
18–An alloy of copper and zinc
19–Giver
20–Municipal officer
21–A fish
23–Convulsion
24–To take a quick bite out of
29–Play for stakes
32–Do again
34–Part of the leg
36–Auctioned
38–Overcome with awe
39–Steamship (abbr.)
40–By or near
41–Olden times
44–Old English (abbr.)
46–Us
48–Upon

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
SUMATRA MARU .....Sunday, 19th September.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA.—Via Singapore & Colombo.
PANAMA MARU .....Wednesday, 20th October.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.
BINGO MARU .....Saturday, 25th September.
BANGKOK—Via Saigon
SEKKOW MARU .....Tuesday, 28th September.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Japan Ports from Shanghai.
ARIZONA MARU .....Tuesday, 28th September.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.
ARGUN MARU ....(From Keelung) End of September.
JAPAN PORTS
AMUR MARU .....Thursday, 16th September.
SEATTLE MARU .....Friday, 24th September.
KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.
KAIJO MARU .....Sunday, 19th September noon.
HOZAN MARU .....Sunday, 26th September, noon.
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.
KOTSU MARU .....Wednesday 22nd Sept. 10 a.m.
TAKAO and KEELUNG.
KOHOKU MARU .....Saturday, 18th September.
SURABAYA MARU .....Sunday, 26th September.
DAIREN via CHEFOO and TSINGTAU.
KINZAN MARU .....Tuesday, 14th September.

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CANTON RIVER.

POLICE NOW PATROL THE HARBOUR.

EXAMINATION BEGINS.

As indicated earlier in the week, the Canton Police are now patrolling the harbour in special craft, including launches, motor-boats, rowing boats, &c., to keep the strike pickets off the Canton River.

The position remains unchanged.

There is further evidence that the Bogue Forts are supporting an examination anchorage a few miles off. Foreign ocean going vessels have been delayed and a few official complaints have been made.

On a similar topic, the "Canton Gazette" says:—

Since the despatch of the Northern Expedition, the Nationalist Government has divided Kwangtung into five martial law regions. Martial law regulations have also been issued by the Nationalist Government.

The commander-in-chief, General Chang Kai-shek has submitted a request to the Central Council that Whampoa be declared a special martial law region, so that proper naval and military measures may be taken.

SHIPPING NOTES.

VESSELS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

LATEST INFORMATION.

The Dollar liner "President Taft" arrived early this morning from San Francisco via Shanghai and Japan ports. The "Taft" had 64 cabin passengers, 448 steerage passengers, and 3,423 tons of general cargo; of which 35 cabin passengers, 216 steerage, together with 430 tons of cargo are for Hong Kong. She will sail for Manila to-morrow at 3 p.m. with passengers, and mail for Manila.

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Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co. announce that the P. & O. s.s. "Delta" arrived in London from Hong Kong on September 13 at 11 p.m.

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With 4,960 tons of petroleum for discharge here, the s.s. "Levant Arrow" of the Standard Oil Co. of New York, arrived yesterday afternoon from Los Angeles. Her date of departure has not yet been fixed.

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The M.M. liner "D'Artagnan" left yesterday afternoon for Shanghai and Japan ports with passengers and a comparatively small cargo. The "D'Artagnan" is due back in Hong Kong, en route to Marseilles, on October 12.

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Three B. & S. steamers have arrived in port. The "Patroclus" came from Liverpool via Singapore with over 1,000 tons of cargo for discharge here. The "Huichow" arrived yesterday afternoon from Tientsin, and the "Anhui" from Amoy and Singapore.

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Bound for Kobe and Moji, via Amoy, the B. & I. steamer "Shirala" will sail to-morrow afternoon with cargo, passengers, and the Siberian mail.

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From Foochow and Amoy, the s.s. "Hai Yang" arrived this morning with steerage passengers and cargo mostly consisting of lumber for Hong Kong.

PASSENGER LIST.

WHO'S WHO ON THE "PRESIDENT TAFT."

Mrs. George R. Harvey, wife of Judge George R. Harvey, is passing through on her way to Manila.

Mrs. H. D. Kneedler and her two sons Don and Edgar, wife of Dr. Kneedler dentist of Piedmont California, are on their way to Manila.

Mr. Whipple Hall, an old time commercial traveller is en route to Manila from San Francisco.

Miss Dorothy Franks is en route to Manila to join the Education Department.

Mr. John Nevins, Chief of Police of Manila, is returning from a world tour where he has been gathering data from all the large cities of Europe and America.

Mr. D. Boyne of the S. O. Co. is visiting Hong Kong from Japan.

Miss M. S. Botelho and Miss C. Botelho are returning to their home in Kowloon from a visit to friends in Shanghai.

Mr. Allen Hoffman of Canton met his family in Yokohama and they are returning to their home in Canton where the doctor is connected with a hospital.

Mr. J. G. Lum the banker is returning to Hong Kong from Shanghai.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

List of passengers per s.s. "Siberia Maru" arrived from Los Angeles via Ports on September 15:

Mr. C. K. Leung, Mrs. C. W. Watkins, Mr. V. L. Bucham, Mrs. S. M. Beecham, Miss E. N. Beecham, Master, P. E. Beecham, Master D. E. Beecham, Mr. P. S. Williams, Mrs. P. S. Williams, Mrs. C. Pattison, Mr. L. O. Pattison, Master Clair Pattison, Master Clell Pattison, Miss Benye Pattison, Miss B. Pattison, Miss E. Mattley, Mr. A. Salnesneg, Mr. James A. Greig, Miss Eelce I. Greig, Mr. A. C. Haig, Mr. E. B. Hare, Mr. S. O. Martin, Miss A. Martin, Mr. G. Martin, Mr. K. W. Chun, Mrs. K. W. Chung, Mr. Chung, Mr. Yating Chen, Mr. Leung Kwai-cheung, Mr. Leung Chi-kwong, Mr. J. E. Jacob.

List of passengers arrived from San Francisco via Ports per s.s. "President Taft" on September 16:

For Hong Kong: Mr. D. Boyne, Miss M. S. Botelho, Miss C. Botelho, Mr. Chang Tou-kuan, Mr. Chan Tit, Mr. Cheung Yuk-ching, Mr. F. K. Cheng, Miss B. L. Gould, Dr. and Mrs. A. Hoffmn, Master J. Hoffman, Master H. Hoffman, Master J. H. Hoffman, Miss C. Hoffman, Mr. J. R. Jones, Mr. Kiang Hee-man, Mr. Kiang Wei-man, Mr. C. Lamson, Mr. J. G. Lum, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Lo, Mr. Mar Ho, Mr. T. Matsuo, Mr. K. Matsusaki, Mr. F. Ohlt, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Paris, Miss A. Paris, Mr. O. Y. Poon, Mr. Y. C. Pang, Mr. and Mrs. C. Reich, Mr. H. K. Tung, Mr. Wong Hoi and Mr. M. Woodworth.

For Manila: Dr. M. Basaca, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Baskerville, Miss J. H. Christensen, Mr. H. J. Cole, Master G. Cole, Mr. H. E. Carter, Mr. C. R. Dale, Mr. T. Del Rosario, Mr. M. E. Eason, Miss D. Franks, Miss H. Gawthrop, Mr. W. S. Hall, Mrs. G. R. Harvey, Mr. F. ... Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Harison, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hayden, Mr. D. Kneedler, Mrs. H. D. Kneedler, Mr. E. Kneedler, Miss C. McCarthy, Miss M. W. Melzer, Mr. J. Nevins, Mr. J. Abad Santos, Lt. and Mrs. R. J. Sipe and Mr. H. B. Smith.

DEPARTURES.

List of passengers per s.s. "Empress of Russia" which sailed on September 16:—

Miss M. C. d'Almeida, Mrs. L. Artindale, Miss A. Artindale, Mr. E. Beaumont, Sister C. L. Catarino, Mr. Cheung C. Lin, Mr. Chang Hong-sue, Mr. Cheung Hang-po, Mr. Cheung Kwan, Mr. Chien Tsen, Mrs. Chen, Mr. Chang Young-hoa, Mr. Chang Chun-hing, Mr. Chui Hui-chung, Miss Hilda Chan, Mrs. Chan, Mrs. Chan Kai-ming, Miss W. Chan, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Crandall, Master S. Crandall, Miss S. Crandall, Miss E. Crandall, Mrs. Dang Sze, Mrs. N. M. Denegri, Mr. and Mrs. E. Davison, Mr. H. F. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Edwards, Mrs. L. N. Erdman, Mr. J. M. Eruarrizaga, Mr. F. J. W. Focken, Mr. and Mrs. T. Fong, Miss Fong, Mr. A. Fung, Mrs. Fok Kam-in, Mrs. G. Goss, Master G. E. Goss, Miss Cora Goss, Master J. Goss, Master H. H. Goss, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hines, Mrs. L. H. Ho, Master Ho, Miss Ho, Mr. and Mrs. H. Humphreys, Mrs. Ip Lun-sze, Mr. Kwan Yue-foon, Mr. and Mrs. D. Kinney, Mr. Kwan Yuk-ting, Mr. Li Sui-kai, Miss N. Lee, Mr. Li Sau-nam, Mr. and Mrs. Lau Yan-suen, Mr. Lo Kung-mok, Mr. H. Y. Lai, Mr. Lai Kwai-pui, Dr. Li Sung, Mr. R. Lemoult, Mr. Y. M. Leung, Miss Livingston, Mrs. Lee, Mr. Lee Yuk-tong, Mr. Leong Jung-chong, Mrs. R. A. Logan, Mrs. C. I. Lo, Miss L. Lo, Miss D. Lo, Master Moy Lin-lee, Master Moy Lin-yan, Mr. W. S. Mackinley, Sister L. Marron, Sister M. de Meulmester, Mr. and Mrs. Ng Bing-jit, Master Ng Hip-wo, Miss M. Nuttall, Miss F. Nolasco, Miss P. Nonacide, Mr. F. Oda, Mr. J. M. Pueff, Mr. and Mrs. E. Potter, Mr. W. O. Pinkerton, Mrs. Pun Sit-she, Mr. Rutt, Mr. A. L. Rae, Mr. and Mrs. D. Robertson, Miss A. Remedios, Miss M. Remedios, Mr. D. H. Rushworth, Mrs. C. Shee, Mrs. Ng Shee, Mr. and Mrs. Sum Yat-chien, Mr. S. Sexton, Mr. E. Starks, Mr. Tang Kwan-shan, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Talbot, Miss Talbot, Mrs. Tong, Capt. and Mrs. P. D. Terry, Master P. D. Terry, Miss P. W. Terry, Mr. Tang Se-chi, Mr. M. Heshima, Mr. Wong Pack-sun, Mr. Wong D. Foo, Miss H. A. Wohlters, Mr. A. G. Wohlters, Miss E. B. Wohlters, Mr. W. F. Wohlters, Mr. and Mrs. Yamamoto, Miss Yamamoto, Mr. Yee Cuck-wing, Master Yee Moy-sip, Miss Yee Yook-lon, Mr. B. Zerner and Mr. and Mrs. Young.

S.S. "PRESIDENT TAFT" ARRIVES.

The s.s. "President Taft" arrived to-day from San Francisco, Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, and Shanghai with Captain C. M. Cochrane in command. She brought 64 cabin passengers, 448 steerage passengers and 3423 tons of cargo of which 35 cabin passengers, 216 steerage passengers and 430 tons of cargo for Hong Kong.

SWATOW MINES.

RULES FOR WARSHIPS & STEAMERS.

SHOULD SLOW DOWN.

In connection with the minefield laid at the entrance to Swatow harbour, notice has been given that these mines were laid by the military authorities, near Masu, at the entrance to the harbour.

The following regulations, governing traffic through this minefield, are published by the Chinese military authorities:—

1.—In order to defend the port of Swatow at the present juncture of the campaign against the north, mines are to be laid in the waters at Masu, Swatow.

2.—During the time that mines are laid, all vessels, merchantmen as well as men-of-war, of all nationalities, with the exception of men-of-war from the North, may enter and leave as usual, but they must abide by the following regulations.

3.—The time for leaving and entering the port is fixed for the hours between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. All incoming men-of-war should give 24 hours' notice of their expected arrivals to military headquarters so that protection may be given and misunderstanding avoided.

4.—For their own safety, vessels (including men-of-war) should slow down when reaching the waters at Masu.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND CLEARANCES.

THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following sea-going arrivals at Hongkong were reported:—

Patroclus (6910) Bri., from Liverpool and Singapore; B. & S.

Huichow (1222) Bri., from Tientsin; B. & S.

Anhui (2080) Bri., from Singapore and Amoy; B. & S.

Chak Sang (1470) Bri., from Shanghai; J. M.

Lok Sun (1045) Bri., from Sandakan and Jesselton; China Borneo S.S. Co.

D'Artagnan (9521) French, from Marseilles and Saigon; M.M.

President Taft (8415) American, from San Francisco and Shanghai; Dollar Line.

Levant Arrow (4960) American, from San Pedro and Manila; Standard Oil Co.

Kaijo Maru (1126) Jap., from Keelung and Swatow; O.S.K.

Mayebashi Maru (4320) Jap., from Kobe; N.Y.K.

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Kojun Maru (1305) Jap., from Dairen; M.B.K.

Amur Maru (4823) Jap., from Bremen and Singapore; O.S.K.

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For Hongay: Sui Sang.

SHIPS IN PORT.

British	24
American	2
German	1
Panama	1
Japanese	7
Chinese	13
Dutch	4
Portuguese	3
Norwegian	3
Total	58

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Empress of Canada,	Oct. 29	Oct. 31	Nov. 3	Nov. 6	Nov. 15
Empress of Russia,	Nov. 11	Nov. 14	Nov. 17	Nov. 20	Nov. 29

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Oct. 6	Oct. 8	E/Asia	Oct. 9	Oct. 11
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	Departure	MONDAY	September 27
Lahad Datu	Arrival	TUESDAY	September 28
	Departure	WEDNESDAY	September 29
Tawau	Arrival	WEDNESDAY	September 29
	Departure	THURSDAY	September 30
Semporna	Arrival	THURSDAY	September 30
	Departure	FRIDAY	October 1
Sandakan	Arrival	SATURDAY	October 2
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NELLORE	6,853	29th Sept.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KASHGAR	9,005	2nd Oct.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
JEYPORE	5,318	11th, Oct.	S'pore, P'ang, Col'bo, B'bay & Karachi
MOREA	10,918	16th Oct.	Marseilles & London
NYANZA	7,023	27th Oct.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHYBER	9,114	30th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MANTUA	10,902	13th Nov.	Marseilles and London
DEVANHA	8,155	25th Nov.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KARMALA	9,128	27th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NELLORE	6,852	9th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
MACEDONIA	11,080	11th Dec.	Marseilles and London
DELTA	8,097	23rd Dec.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHIVA	9,135	25th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	6th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
MALWA	10,941	8th Jan.	Marseilles and London
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London
KASHGAR	9,005	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
MANTUA	10,902	5th March	Marseilles & London
MONGOLIA	16,504	19th March	Marseilles & London
MACEDONIA	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles & London
DEVANHA	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KARMALA	9,128	16th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,941	30th April	Marseilles and London
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SHIRALA	7,841	9th Oct.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TALMA	10,000	13th Oct.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ST. ALBANS	4,500	1st Oct.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, & Melbourne.
ARAFURA	6,000	29th Oct.	
TANDA	6,956	2nd Dec.	
ST. ALBANS	4,500	31st Dec.	
ARAFURA	6,000	28th Jan.	
TANDA	6,956	4th March	

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MOREA	10,918	17th Sept. 10 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
SHIRALA	7,841	18th Sept. 6 a.m.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
TALMA	11,000	26th Sept.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka
NYANZA	7,023	26th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
KHYBER	9,114	1st Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
ARAFURA	6,000	5th Oct.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
MANTUA	10,902	16th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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DEVANHA	8,155	30th Oct.	Shanghai and Kobe
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NELLORE	6,853	13th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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MALWA	10,941	10th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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LIGHTING & BUOYING

A SECRET CONFERENCE AT STOCKHOLM.

STATUS OF LEAGUE QUESTIONED.

An international conference has been proceeding at Stockholm at the instance of the Committee of the League of Nations to consider the question of lighting and buoying of fairways. A notice to this effect has been sent out by the information bureau, showing that the League of Nations has also assumed the question as to the possibility of bringing about uniformity in the systems used in different countries for buoying, etc.

According to the "Göteborgs Handels och Sjofartstidning," some astonishment has been aroused, and not without reason, that the League of Nations has considered this purely technical problem to be of the nature to fall within the province of the activity of the League, and the question has also been asked as to whether the League has at its disposal any expert authorities who are not available to the already existing organisations which are interested in the subject.

The newspaper proceeds to say that the question is not new. Already, as far back as 1889, the shipping conference in Washington put forward a proposal for the adoption of uniform rules for the buoying of fairways—the so-called starboard system and port system. Another method is the compass system, and at the side of this are many variations and combinations in different countries. Obviously a system uniformly carried out over the whole shipping world would be desirable, but the conception in practical circles (those of navigators) in general should be that the importance of an international system in this branch is over-estimated. In any case, it is firmly maintained that such an introduction should not take place at the cost of the special arrangements which are demanded by local conditions from the standpoint of simplicity and safety. It is in this direction that difficulties manifest themselves and which seem to offer too great hindrances in the way of an international agreement.

However that may be, there are two matters in connection with the work of the internationalisation of buoying which awaken considerable astonishment. Why do the International Hydrographic Bureau of Monaco and the Technical Committee of the League of Nations not co-operate together in this matter? Whatever experts the League of Nations may be able to get, they cannot reasonably reject the indisputable competence and excellent work of the Bureau in this direction. It is said that an attempt to bring about the co-operation of the two bodies was made about a year ago, but now each goes its own way. Both organisations apply with lists of questions to the shipping organisations in different countries so as to get their views in favour of the one or the other system. Those who are outside find it difficult to understand why at least a joint series of questions should not be sent out.

The second matter which has aroused surprise is that the Stockholm conference has been or is still being held with closed doors and its proceedings kept absolutely secret. Yet the matters discussed by the conference are not of such a nature as to require to be kept secret or unknown to the competent shipping interests.

BRITISH SHIPS.

WHY THEY CHANGE THEIR FLAGS.

OWNERS & SERVANTS.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—Last Monday I took passage to Macao via the "Chuen Chow."

She was supposed to go at 4.30 p.m., but at that time there was no chief engineer aboard. The captain went and hunted up another engineer to take his place and after nearly an hour's wait we got away. Some passengers had left during the long wait. Police and searchers on the wharf had to wait too.

Now is it any wonder that owners, having to submit to such usage as this from their paid servants, put ships under the Chinese or any but the British flag to escape it?

Yours, etc.

PASSENGER.

Hongkong, Sept. 15.

BREACH OF NEGOTIATIONS.

As a consequence of the breach of negotiations between the N.Y.K. and the Yamashita Kisen Kaisha, new shipping concern offering competition in this part of the world, the Yamashita despatched one of their freighters, "Shima Maru" (3,400 tons), as the first vessel bound for Japanese ports. The freighter, with a full cargo sailed for Japan. The low freight rates having gained popularity in Yangtze ports as well as in Shanghai, the management is optimistic as to the future prospects in the business, finding no difficulty in obtaining cargo for its fleet. For example, the N.Y.K.'s regular rate on sundry goods is $0.27 for Kobe or Osaka, and $0.32 for Nagoya or Yokohama, per picul, while the Yamashita is offering rates ranging from $0.16 to $0.20 for the same destinations. Thus challenged by the new shipping company, the N.Y.K. has been considering counter-measures and decided to lower rates to almost a similar standard of those of the rival company. Therefore, keen competition for securing cargo will be apparent in the near future. The Yamashita hold the Da Tung Wharf on the Chinese Bund on a three years' lease, and to extend facilities for their vessels, renovation works are now under way.

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East River at Sheklung	+ 1.7	+ 1.6

The French steamer "Pourquoi Pas" which attempted to reach the North Pole but failed owing to heavy damage by ice, has returned to Cherbourg.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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THE Steamship "CITY OF PEKIN" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained.

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Consignees of cargo are reminded that goods ex s.s. "City of Pekin" remaining undelivered after September 20, will be subject to rent.

Tokyo, August 30.—The Dutch steamer "Toba" touched at Moji, on the way to Shanghai, for the purpose of coaling. Forty Chinese firemen deserted the vessel at Moji because, it is alleged, an engineer officer struck one of the firemen unreasonably.

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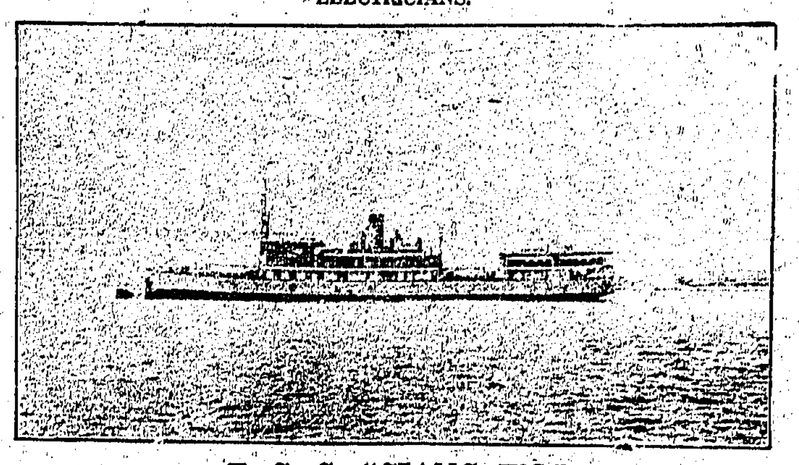

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GENOA MARU ..... Tuesday, 21st September.

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BIRTH.

LUSHINGTON.—On August 23, 1926, at Tighnabruaich House, Argyllshire, to the wife of H. E. C. Lushington, Ceylon Forest Department, a daughter.

Hongkong, Thursday, Sept. 16, 1926.

"UNEQUAL TREATIES."

In our last issue considerable space was devoted to the review of events in China as published in the new issue of the "China Year Book. The student of things Chinese must undoubtedly be grateful for such a publication which is an excellent form of propaganda of the British case in the various disputes with the Chinese, particularly since the Shanghai incident of May 30 last year. There is no need here to go over the whole ground. But reference may perhaps usefully be made to the chapter dealing with the agitation against the so-called "unequal Treaties"—a phrase beloved of the misguided student class and carefully kept to the front by Moscow's emissaries in China — those stormy petrels whose sole mission is to set China against the Powers and to disrupt and dismember China itself.

The China Year Book in a preface knocks the bottom, so to speak, out of the specious arguments used in furtherance of the movement for the abolition of the "unequal Treaties." Take the question of extraterritoriality, for instance. That busybody of American politics, Senator Borah, could not resist the opportunity to air his own pet theories on this thorny problem, but he met more than his match in the American Chamber of Commerce in Hankow, which protested that *such an attitude as that of the interfering* Senator was "distinctly untimely and calculated to embolden certain disruptive elements in China." Later Senator Borah received another well-merited rebuke from Mr. Silas H. Strawn, America's representative on the Tariff Conference and the Extraterritoriality Commission, who stated that he had so far seen no evidence that China's present day troubles are in any degree attributable to the so-called unequal Treaties or to the Imperialistic attitude of the foreign Powers. On the contrary, continued Mr. Strawn, "the evidence seems to be overwhelming that the troubles of China to-day are internal rather than external, and that unequal Treaties, extraterritoriality, tariff autonomy, and imperialism are political slogans which are availed of by the agitators to excite the people of China into a frenzy of criticism and unrest."

That is an utterance more in accord with the truth than any of the babblings of the students and their Moscow counsellors. If Treaties are found after the lapse of a certain period to be "unequal" to either contracting party, no foreign Power will reject a rational opportunity of revising them. Moreover, China in these matters always conveniently forgets the existence of the League of Nations, which has been expressly created for the common protection of all its members. Let China first set her own house in order—a phrase that is becoming wearisome although it is still absolutely essential—and then go to the League of Nations if she cannot obtain redress from the Powers affected by the so-called "unequal Treaties." There is a right way and a wrong way in these matters, but China will persist in pursuing the wrong way and alienating much foreign sympathy that would accrue to her from a judicious and well-reasoned case. As a party to those Treaties let her respect them and carry out her natural obligations thereunder before clamouring for their abolition.

Chang Kai-shek's Prestige.

General Chang Kai-shek is now compared with Mussolini and even with Napoleon. The majority of foreigners of all nations have no interest in the present struggle in China beyond a hope that order will be evolved out of chaos, that a unified China will result, and that one government will exist in fact as well as in name. On the wave of success it is fairly easy to look on Canton's dictator as the potential saviour of the country. He has introduced new methods. To handle a large body of troops he has exercised discipline and training to an extent hitherto unheard of among the Chinese. Over the six or seven original armies of the Nationalist Party he has more than nominal control. But he gives the impression that he is following old methods by incorporating "outsiders" too readily. There are now about fifteen armies in the Cantonese fold, some of which Chang Kai-shek is in command of only to the extent that they acknowledge him as chieftain. The new generals' spheres are so far away that the direct, personal touch of before—that rule of the iron hand if it may be called—is lacking. The readiness with which Liu Tso-lung (*who surrendered Hanyang*) was accepted does not savour of the caution with which General Chang began fifteen months ago. We are tempted to ask if matters cannot get out of his hands over such large territory. And he has not appointed anybody as assistant administrator in other parts, giving the impression that he is unwilling to share the responsibility—and the power.

A pretty wedding at All Saints, Tientsin, was that of R. E. Rodger of the Standard Oil Co. and Lottie Rutherford. There were many friends as well as a Volunteer guard of honour.

MEDICAL WORK.

REVIEW OF PROGRESS IN CHINA.

C. M. A. CONFERENCE.

The China Medical Association, which met in Hong Kong last year when the series of lectures and demonstrations at the University aroused considerable interest, has concluded its eighteenth biennial conference at Peking where Professor Anderson of Hong Kong, represented the B.M.A. and Dr. Arthur Woo the Chinese doctors of Hong Kong. These two Hong Kong delegates were later joined by Professor H. G. Earle, of the Hong Kong University, who arrived on his way back to Hong Kong via Siberia.

The meetings of the Association were most successful and the ideal climate and many objects of historical interest in Peking made the stay of the delegates a very pleasant one.

Owing to sudden illness, the President and Vice-president, Dr. John Kirk, was chosen as Chairman. The President's address, which was read by the Chairman, laid emphasis on the changed type of physician produced by the rapid development of the science of medicine and reminded the modern doctor that kindly advice and sympathy were often of as much value to the patient as highly technical attention.

Following the address, greetings were presented by the delegates from other medical and scientific bodies. Dr. Chas. H. Frazier brought good wishes from the American Medical Association and the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Georgina Sweet brought greetings from the medical profession in Australia. Surgeon General S. H. Chuan expressed the good wishes of the National Medical Association of China, Dr. Y. S. Howe spoke on behalf of the National Association, Dr. Arthur Woo for the Chinese Practitioners' Association of Hong Kong, Dr. J. H. Gray for the Y.M.C.A. of China, and Miss Hope Bell for the Nurses' Association of China.

"TENNIS FEET."

THE FEET MUST BE BROKEN IN.

(By A Surgeon.)

Tennis elbow has long been a recognised, if rather uncommon, occupational disease. "Tennis feet" is to-day, in the ever-growing popularity of the game, filling the waiting rooms of orthopædic surgeons with devotees whose foot and leg muscles have failed to keep pace with their enthusiasm.

It would be outside the scope of this article to touch upon the relative advantages of the naked foot, to which the flexible, soft-soled tennis shoe is the nearest approach in use to-day, and the stiff-soled and comparatively high-heeled shoe of everyday wear. What is indubitable is the difference between the two.

The human foot has been compared often to an arch. A better comparison would be a bow, held bent and taut by the muscles and ligaments that run from heel to ball. The bony structure of the arch would not pass the scrutiny of any architect. Deprived of its muscular support it will sag, and the result will be the splayed-out, aching, incipient flat-foot that is beginning to be known as "tennis feet."

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Muscles and ligaments are living things, and living things grow tired. They will tire less quickly if they are given a little assistance, a little respite from the unrelaxed strain of holding together the twin ends of the bow-stave that is the arch of the foot. The stiff sole of everyday wear gives that, but takes away while it gives, for the muscles, which are (as is the nature of all living things) a lazy folk, forget that there may come a time when their strength will be needed. The bowstring relaxes and the foot flattens into an unshapely and mechanically unsound assembly of bones and muscles.

The remedy is, as usual, to remember that the human body can adapt itself almost always to new conditions, provided only that it be given reasonable time in which to do it. Any athletic trainer knows as well as a doctor the folly of the sudden transition from a sedentary life to hard exercise.

And what is true of the body as a whole is true of a part of it. The feet must be "broken in" gradually to their new conditions, accustomed to dispense with supporting leather, as the young gymnast is trained to do without the helping hand of his instructor. Given that one condition, there is little reason why any player should be put out of action by "tennis feet."—"Daily Mails."

BOILER CLEANING.

OLD METHODS REVOLUTIONISED.

LOCAL TESTS' SUCCESS.

A successful demonstration of the "Branda" boiler scouring apparatus was given at the Kowloon Dock yesterday afternoon by the Europe Asia Trading Company who have taken up the patent rights for Hong Kong and South China, including Macao. Among those present were Mr. R. M. Dyer, Chief Manager of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Company, Mr. L. Durand, Manager of the Europe Asia Company, Mr. K. E. Greig, Manager of the Taikoo Dockyard and Engineering Company, Mr. J. L. Strellet, Mr. Guerineur, the President of the Engineers' Guild, the manager of the Kwong Hip Loong Engineers' firm, Mr. Guerineau and several others.

The demonstration which was held in the boiler makers' shop, substantiated the claims that have been made as to the capacity of the apparatus, through the agency of compressed air, in removing tartar from the most remote parts of marine boilers. The scouring of the tubes is perfect even in exceptional circumstances where, through boilers being fed with salt water, the tartar has become of considerable thickness and hardness.

The process is infinitely superior to the old hand process in efficacy and in the resultant improvement to each boiler cleaned, the tubes being perfectly new after each cleaning by the "Branda" apparatus. Under the old methods, perfect chipping and removing of tartar was practically an impossibility and a certain amount of fouling of the tubes resulted. Considerable economy is thus effected by the new process which obviates the necessity for renewing steel tubes until their working life is at an end.

Considerable economies are effected in other directions, notably in regard to fuel consumption, the suppression of abnormal expansion of boilers, the obviating of many repairs rendered periodically necessary under the old systems and of excessive consumption of fresh water due to leaks caused by insufficient scaling.

The progress of the work is particularly efficient with the apparatus with multiple chipping hammers which is furnished with two pistons with variable strokes. Progress is very rapid, about five times more than that done by hand and for big surfaces, bottoms, careens, etc., the apparatus has a device which registers the shocks, thus minimising considerably the efforts of the workmen and rendering the work considerably easier.

NEW LINE.

PACIFIC-ATLANTIC SERVICE.

M'CORMICK LINE ENTERPRISE.

Mr. Chas. L. Wheeler, vice-president and general manager of the McCormick Steamship Co., of San Francisco, announces the establishment of a new passenger service direct from the United States Pacific Coast by way of the Straits of Magellan to Buenos Ayres, Monte Video and Rio de Janeiro, and continuing through the Panama Canal to the West Coast. The line will start with the sailing of the steamship "West Nilus" from San Francisco on August 10. This vessel, of 12,000 deadweight tons, one of the fleet of the Pacific-Argentina-Brazil Line, is now being overhauled at the plant of the Moore Dry Dock Company, of Oakland. Each of the ships will be refitted with accommodation for 15 passengers.

This is believed to be the first regular passenger service around South America since the days of the gold rush to California, which was followed by transhipment across the Isthmus of Panama, and later by regular passenger services through the Panama Canal. Commenting on the new line, Mr. Wheeler said:—

"The demand for direct passenger service between the Pacific Coast and the Argentine, Uruguay and Brazil, has made it necessary for us to provide first-class passenger accommodation on our vessels. For a person on the Pacific Coast desiring to go to Buenos Ayres it is now necessary to take a long trip across the country, perhaps wait in New York for the date of sailing, and then take steamer for South America. With the Pacific-Argentine-Brazil Line, sailings will be made from San Francisco directly. The time in transit will be much less than by way of New York, and will also be more economical."

Fred W. Brose, general passenger agent for the McCormick Steamship Company, said that "the establishment of a direct passenger service between the West Coast of the United States and South America marks a new era in American shipping. The sailing time of the vessels will be approximately 30 days from San Francisco to Buenos Ayres. We look for a big tourist trade."

"BOB" DALTON.

HIS LIFE TO SAVE HIS SHIP.

H.29 DISASTER ECHO.

Devonport, August 10.—Thirty feet below the muddy water of Devonport Dockyard, with only the periscope to mark where she lies, rests the hero of H. 29, whose death keeps fresh the best traditions of the British Navy.

Chief Engine-room Artificer Robert Dalton, "Bob" Dalton to all who speak to-day of his fine courage, is the only member of the crew who lost his life.

To the list of the five missing announced yesterday must now be added the name of Fitter Henry Hill, of Pasley Street, Stoke, Devonport. He should have gone on leave on Saturday, but he decided to go on with his work until the trials were completed.

"Bob" Dalton sacrificed his life in an effort to save his ship, and no words can describe his act better than those of his own colleagues who were rescued from the water.

One, a fresh-faced boy bearing the number of the submarine on his hat, said:—

We had just returned from certain tests and were carrying out others for which the ship was being slightly submerged when we were almost tilted off our feet by a great rush of water. I struggled upright with the water up to my chest and saw Dalton standing coolly by, pressing one of the handles of the tanks.

"Not His Job."

It was not his job, but he was there trying to blow up the tanks that lift the ship when he might have walked quietly into safety.

Lieut. Nevell was standing near him and looked, although I could not hear him above the roar of water, as if he was giving him his help and advice.

The tanks are down below in the danger region, and I believe both rushed to them from their safe positions above when they knew something was wrong.

Another member of the crew said:—"I saw Dalton trying to blow out the tanks. I just managed to clamber out and get clear, but he refused to follow us."

A dockyard worker who was standing close to the ship when the mishap occurred declared that Dalton was on deck when the advice was passed round to leave calmly as something was wrong. A second later he was missing.

Dalton is described as one of the most stalwart-looking men in the submarine service.

Forty years of age, he had been in the Navy 20 years and lived with his widowed mother at Southsea. His colleagues say that he did what they would have expected him to do.

Workmen who rushed to the rescue describe the escape of Lieutenant Wevell as miraculous. He is now in the Royal Naval Hospital, and can remember nothing of what happened. A big bruise on his cheek marks where his head struck the hatch as he was thrown out of the vessel after it had gone under the water.

He appeared in a great circle of bubbles, and it is surmised that as the water poured into the boat a big air cavity was suddenly released and that this forced him through the hatch.

Leading Stoker Walter Kemp, as the vessel was going down, was thrown through the hatch with such force that his ribs on one side were badly hurt.

It was soon found after the mishap that five men were missing, but so many men were engaged on the vessel, some in the ship and others on shore, that it was thought possible that others might also have lost their lives. Inquiries established that Fitter Hill was also missing, but the authorities are satisfied that there are no other victims.

On the shore as on board the vessel there was a commendable lack of panic. When the ship first tilted, Lieut. Wevell rushed below to try to close the water-tight doors. The commander, Lieut. Skyrme, was trying to pass into the vessel, when the sudden tilt threw all on board into the water.

Peking, September 6.—On Saturday last forty gendarmes, accompanied by several policemen, again visited the premises of the "Chung Mei Wan Pao," which was suppressed by the military about two weeks ago, and removed the printing plant to the headquarters of the gendarmerie. Two copies of the list of articles taken away were made, one was left with the nearby police station, while the other was kept by the Chung Mei Printing Establishment.—"Kiu Wen."

CHINA'S CLAIM.

TO SEAT ON LEAGUE COUNCIL.

MR. CHU PERSISTENT.

Geneva, Sept. 15.

At the League Assembly Mr. Chu reiterated China's claim for a seat on the Council failing which, he said, the Chinese would misunderstand the attitude of the League toward China.

Mr. Chu urged the necessity of modifying the tariffs in China, and added that the Chinese delegation was instructed to register with the Secretariat of the League the new Austro-Chinese Treaty to be enforced to-day.

The Assembly unanimously adopted the Committee's report embodying the rules for the election of non-permanent members.

Referring to the claims of Persia and China for two non-permanent seats for the Asiatic Continent, M. Motta (Reporter) said that, whilst fully safeguarding the liberty of the Assembly, the importance of the population of Asia should not be overlooked.

A New Candidate.

The latest candidate for a seat on the Council is the Irish Free State, who lodged its candidature following a vigorous speech by Sir George Foster (Canada), decrying the allocation of seats on a geographical basis.

Mr. Fitzgerald (Irish Free State), who denied the right of any group to a seat, later sent a note to the British delegation asking it to support the Irish claim to a seat.

Mr. Fitzgerald, interviewed by Reuter, stated that this action was taken because he objected to the allotment of a seat to certain groups, and he desired to establish the right of any individual nation to claim a seat.—Reuter.

WAY OF THE TURK.

FRENCH OFFICER SENT TO PRISON.

Constantinople, Sept. 15.

Lieut. Desmons has been sentenced to 80 days' imprisonment.—Reuter.

Turk Captain Sentenced.

Constantinople, Later.

Desmons was also fined 22 Turkish liras.

The captain of the Turkish vessel, which sank, was sentenced to 90 days' imprisonment and a fine of 30 liras.

The companies owning both ships were fined 5,000 liras toward compensation for the victims.—Reuter.

Previous News.

Paris, Sept. 12.

The newspapers state that while awaiting the decision of the International Court of Justice at The Hague, the Turkish authorities must release the French officer, whose imprisonment is unjustified. The papers congratulate M. Poincare on his action.

Constantinople, Sept. 13.

Lieut. Desmons has been released.

Constantinople, Sept. 13.

The Court has ordered bail of £6,000 (Turkish) for the release of Lieut. Desmons.

COBHAM SAFE.

ARRIVAL REPORTED AT RANGOON.

Rangoon, Sept. 14.

The missing airman, Cobham, has passed Mergui bound for Rangoon.—Reuter.

Rangoon, September 15.

Cobham has arrived.—Reuter.

Cobham Interviewed.

Rangoon, September 15.

A large crowd cheered Mr. Alan Cobham, who, in an interview, stated that after leaving Penang on September 8 he encountered terrific rain storms and was forced to alight twice during the day. Bad weather continued till September 10 when he was forced to return to Victoria Point after proceeding 60 miles to Rangoon, fighting hailstorms all the way, but the worst weather ever experienced, occurred to-day when he flew two hours in the rain to Rangoon.

Mr. Cobham expressed the opinion, nevertheless, that the Imperial air line was practicable if an airman were properly equipped for this part of the journey. Big flying boats equipped with wireless should be used.—Reuter.

INDIAN REBELS.

TRAIN ATTACKED IN MEXICO.

Mexico City, Sept. 15.

The Government are sending aeroplanes, mountain artillery and four battalions of infantry to Sonora to clear out the rebel Yaqui Indians, who last week attacked a train in which ex-President Obregon was travelling.

RUBBER MARKET.

SINGAPORE QUOTATIONS BY CABLE.

LATEST DIVIDENDS.

[By courtesy of Messrs. Carroll Bros.]

Singapore, Sept. 16.

Rubber is now quoted at 68 cents per lb.

The following dividends have been declared:—

Jerams—10% interim making 30% to date.

Tambalaks—15% final making 25% for the year.

The latest quotations are given below:—

	Straits.
Allenbys	$ 3 20
Alor Gajahs	3.05
Amalgamated Malays	4 85
Ayer Moleks	2.85
Ayer Panas	12.75
Balgownies	4.80
Bassetts	1 40
Brogas	1.80
Bukit Jelotongs	1.20
Bukit Katils	1.25
Changkat Serdangs	10.00
Connemaras	2.90
Glenealies	3.00
Indragiris	10.70
Jerams	1.00
Jimahs	2.80
Kedahs	4.80
Kempas	9.60
Kuala Sidims	4.00
Lunas	4.00
Malaka Pindas	2 95
Malakoffs	5 20
Mandai Tekongs	.95
Mayfields	16 00
Mentakabs	.65
New Serendahs	5 40
Pajams	14 50
Punggors	1.25
Sandycrofts	3.10
Scudais	3.05
Sungei Bagans	5.00
Tapahs	35.50
Tambalaks	1.60
Teluk Ansons	15 25
United Malaccas	2 95
Utan Simpans	5.00

MEIGHEN OUT.

LIBERALS WIN ELECTIONS IN CANADA.

Ottawa, September 15.

The election returns shortly before midnight point to the defeat of the Government with the probability that the Liberals will have the largest group in the House of Commons, and possibly a clear majority.

The Conservatives, so far, have three gains, the Liberals eighteen and the Progressive one.

Later.

The latest results show the Liberals with 116, the Conservatives with 88, the Progressives with 16, Labour with 4, and Alberta Farmers with 10.

Mr. Meighen himself and five Cabinet Ministers have been defeated.

All the Liberal ex-Ministers have been re-elected.

The country is virtually assured of a comparatively stable Government under Liberal auspices for the next four years, since Mr. Mackenzie King, with the co-operation of the Progressives, will be able to reply upon a majority over any other combination. Moreover, he can probably count on the support of the majority of the Alberta Farmers and Labourites.

Mr. Meighen's resignation is imminently expected, after which Mr Mackenzie King will be summoned to form a Cabinet.

Hence it is doubtful if arrangements can be made in time to enable the Premier to attend the Imperial Conference, unless it is again postponed.—Reuter.

Latest Position.

Ottawa, Sept. 15.

The state of Parties is now:

Liberals	118
Conservatives	90
Liberal Progressives	11
Alberta Farmers	11
Progressives	7
Labourites	4
Independents	1

There are three doubtful results in the West not yet reported, but these will not affect the result.—Reuter.

KOREAN PLOT.

BOMB OUTSIDE JAPANESE CONSULATE.

Shanghai, Sept. 15.

This morning a Chinese drove up to the side entrance of the Japanese Consulate in Shanghai in a jinrikisha, carrying a suit case.

He had hardly left the jinrikisha when a bomb exploded, seriously injuring the jinrikisha puller, but not doing other damage. The culprit was arrested.

The Japanese allege that the affair was due to a Korean plot.—Reuter.

COTTON TAX.

REDUCTION IN EGYPT NOTIFIED.

Cairo, Sept. 15.

Parliament has reduced the cotton tax from 25 to 20 piastres per kantar.—Reuter.

DELVILLE WOOD.

MEMORIAL TO AFRICAN SOLDIERS.

WAR EPIC RECALLED.

Rugby, Sept. 15.

Two hundred pilgrims will attend the unveiling on October 10 of the Delville Wood Memorial in France to the South African soldiers who fell in the Great War.

Ten years ago the South African troops received an order from their Divisional Commander, Major-General Sir Henry Lukin, that they must hold the wood at all costs. They did so, but only 700 officers and men out of 3,600 original members of the brigade emerged from the fight.

The memorial will be unveiled by General Hertzog, Premier of South Africa. Among those attending the ceremony will be Mrs. Louis Botha, wife of the late Premier of South Africa, Lady Lukin, General Manie Botha, and Colonel Pierrean Ryneveld, the airman.—British Wireless Service.

SHIPPING PROBLEMS.

PROMINENT AMERICAN IN LONDON.

London, Sept. 15.

Mr. O'Connor, Chairman of the United States Shipping Board, is at present in London after visiting the Continental ports with a view to getting in touch with world shippers to discuss world shipping problems.—Reuter.

PRINCE OF WALES.

London, Sept. 15.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales has arrived from Paris.—Reuter.

A CRUEL HOAX.

BOGUS BOXING CHAMPION FETED.

IN FRENCH TOWN.

Paris, August 9.

The inhabitants of Fontenay-sur-Loing, near Montargis, may be expected for some time to come to regard with suspicion any distinguished visitors, for they have just been cruelly hoaxed. At the end of June a young man who took up his residence in an hotel said he was André Routis, the boxing champion, and very soon he was the centre of a group of hero-worshippers, who listened with breathless interest to his stories of great fights, of honours that had been showered upon him, and of his influence in high social circles.

He had not been very long in the place before a municipal delegation, headed by the mayor, waited on him to ask if he would organise a boxing tournament and gala for the benefit of charity. The supposed Routis readily consented, and then left for Paris to make arrangements. On his return to Fontenay he was met on the platform by the mayor and a crowd of admirers, and a little girl presented him with a bouquet on behalf of the citizens. He attended the prize day at the local school and, sitting beside the headmaster, presided over the ceremony. In confidential conversation with the mayor, he announced that the boxing tournament and gala which he had fixed for August 22 would live in the memory of the whole countryside. Having told of the famous boxers he had persuaded to give their services, he added that Marshal Lyautey, "an intimate friend," would preside.

Then the bubble was burst by a policeman who happened to know that the real André Routis is at present making a boxing tour in America. The impostor was quickly brought to confession, and, as he could not pay his hotel bill, he has been lodged in the local jail and has had to shed the ribbon of the Legion of Honour which he wore so proudly. He has been identified as Raymond Toyer, an assistant curator at a small Paris museum, who had resolved to have a little taste of glory as a holiday adventure.

HARBOUR CAUTION.

The Harbour Office warns shipping that for two months divers will be employed at Kennedy Town in the erection of an automatic self-recording tide gauge. Vessels using the Sulphur Channel are therefore requested to proceed on slow speed.

QUARANTINE.

The Superintendent of Customs of Tientsin and the Treaty Power Consuls have declared Canton cholera infected. Masters of vessels going there from Canton are to abide and be governed by the sanitary regulations for the ports of Tientsin and Chinwangtao.

MOSCOW SCARES.

TROTSKY MAY MAKE AN ATTACK.

STALIN'S BRIBE.

Riga, Sept. 15.

Reports from Moscow declare that the leading Bolshevists are most apprehensive of the attitude of Trotsky, who is believed to be organising a formidable attack against the governing clique under Stalin. Trotsky is said to be determined to form an opposition bloc with Kameneff and Zinovieff. Stalin's party is trying to win over Trotsky by offering him high posts in the Government.

The Moscow newspapers publish a list of new members of the Supreme Economic Council, including Trotsky.—Reuter.

S.O.S.

CREW OF BRITISH VESSEL PERISH.

A CAPSIZED LIFEBOAT.

New York, September 15.

It is feared that the whole crew of 35 of the British cargo steamer "Loyal Citizen" have been drowned. The vessel was sunk off Bermuda. Two steamers answered the S.O.S. and found only a capsized lifeboat.—Reuter.

OIL LOSSES.

BRITISH COMPANY'S POOR SHOWING.

London, Sept. 13.

Reporting to the shareholders the Directors of the British Controlled Oilfields Company state that about £6,000,000 out of the Company's capital of £9,000,000 has been lost, and in order to put the company on a sound footing a drastic reduction in capital is essential.—Reuter.

MURDER CHARGE.

SEQUEL TO FOUR-YEARS-OLD CRIME.

Somerville, Sept. 15.

The Grand Jury have indicted Mrs. Hall, her brothers Henry and William Stevens, and her cousin, Henry Carpender, a wealthy member of the New York Stock Exchange, for the murder of the Rev. Hall and Mrs. Eleanor Mills four years ago.—Reuter's American Service.

ANCESTRAL STRAIN.

WHEN NOBILITY MARRIES LOWLY.

"DETRIMENTAL EFFECT."

Oxford, August 9.

Anthropologists and psychologists assembled together in connection with the meetings of the British Association to argue the possibilities of heredity in its physical and mental aspect. The papers probed the problem from all points of view, and Mr. Thurkill Cooke even touched upon the consequences which follow upon members of the nobility marrying below their station. "Such marriages," he said, "herald the decadence or extinction of rich ancestral strains." Mr. Cooke asked: How far are noble characters hereditary? Is their transmission fostered or impaired by the institution of hereditary dignities? "Family distinction of a stable order is a product of slow growth," he said. "It is seldom won by sudden elevation, which brings a loss of adaptive equilibrium and frequent reversion to the common ancestral level. Families which show a preponderance of noble endowments emerge with greater chances of survival from socially homogeneous stocks.

Mr. Cooke applied statistical inquiry to the confines within which the peerage fulfils its biologic function as a conservator of hereditary honour, and declared: "We have evidence that in the operation of the system consequences detrimental to heredity ensue. Such effects in general arise from the admission to its ranks of elements which do not accord with its natural rationale and from forced intermarriage with inferior stocks, which heralds the decadence or extinction of rich ancestral strains."

Dr. R. N. Salaman, speaking of the inheritance of facial types, said that the characteristics which go to build up the facial features and to mould the expression are infinitely elusive and impossible of definition. "But it is on these combinations of minute differences in respect of eye, nose, or mouth that in life we base our judgment, our friendship, and not infrequently our loves."

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HOW MONEY LOAN SOCIETIES WORK.

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The system on which Chinese Money Loan Associations are run is probably not generally known in Hong Kong, although cases bearing on them are constantly being brought into court as a result of alleged defaults. Another such was heard in the Summary Court this morning, a Chinese woman who was the head of the Association claiming against a "drawn" member whom she alleged had made use of the money obtained from the other members but not paid his own, she as the head having made up the deficiency.

It appears that the system under which the Associations are run is that at the first meeting the various members bid as to what interest they are prepared to give. The member most in need of ready cash will, naturally, be prepared to bid more than one who has joined for the sake of the interest.

If the shares are $5 ones, the man in need of cash may indicate at the first meeting willingness to pay as much as, say, 80 cents interest, in which event the others only pay him $4.20. He collects this money and uses it for his own purposes and for the remaining months, weeks or fortnights (whatever the period fixed for the periodical drawings) he pays a full $5 regularly. Other members indicate the interest they are prepared to pay, according to the urgency with which they want ready money, and as the weeks or months pass, further meetings held and other members "drawn," the interest naturally gets less and less until the one finally left gets the full amount of his money paid in and has had the advantage of the interest paid by those who wished for immediate cash.

The case bearing on the point this morning concerned a woman head of an Association who paid the arrears of a "drawn" member and is suing him for the amount. Her position as head entailed responsibility for defaulting members and her consideration was a commission at each meeting of the Association.

After hearing her evidence His Honour reserved judgment.

It is interesting to note that in several recent cases concerning Money Loan Associations judgment has been reserved.

It had been the practice until more recent times to deal with such cases purely on the question of fact and the system under which they are run as a Chinese law by custom. Questions have cropped up more recently as to whether according to certain aspects such Associations are legal.

In view of the fact that a great number of Chinese are interested in such schemes the judgments concerning the adjourned cases will be awaited with interest.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

September 16—Queen's Theatre; "The Spanish Dancer."

September 16—Star Theatre; Nazimova in "Camille."

September 16—World Theatre; Milton Sills in "The Isle of Lost Ships."

September 20—Concert in Aid of the Alice and Affiliated Hospitals, 9.15 p.m.

September 23, 24, 25 and 27—At City Hall, Russian Ballets by 19 artistes.

September 24—Promenade Concert by the H.K.V.D.C. Infantry Co., on the Parade Ground at Corps Headquarters.

September 24-25—Final performances in Hong Kong of the Denishawn Dancers, at the Star, Kowloon, at 9.15 p.m. nightly and matinee on last day at 5.15 p.m.

September 27—The Globe Trotters' Grand Opening night at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, 9.15 p.m.

October 21—Grand Concert under the auspices of the Navy League.

Auctions.

September 17—Household furniture, ship fittings and miscellaneous goods, at Messrs. Lammert Bros' Sales Room, 11 a.m.

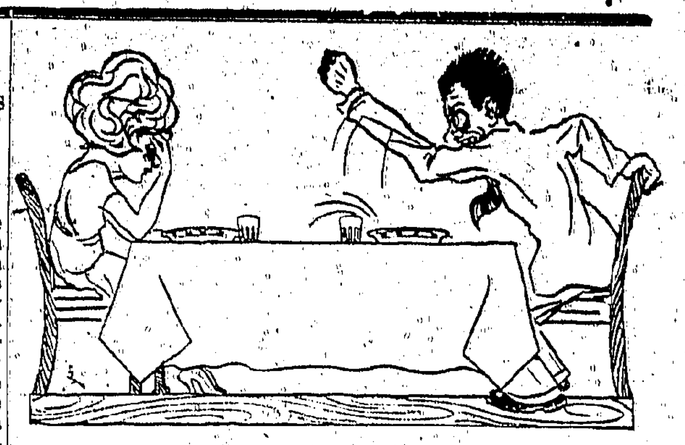
September 20—By Messrs. Lammert Bros. at No. 1, The Albany, valuable household furniture including grand piano by Bluthner and "White Frost" Refrigerator, 2.45 p.m.

Sports.

September 18—Peak Church Sunday School sports and tea at Kellett Crest, 4 p.m.

September 18—Annual "At Home" of the Chinese Recreation Club.

October 9—Fourth race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club at Happy Valley.



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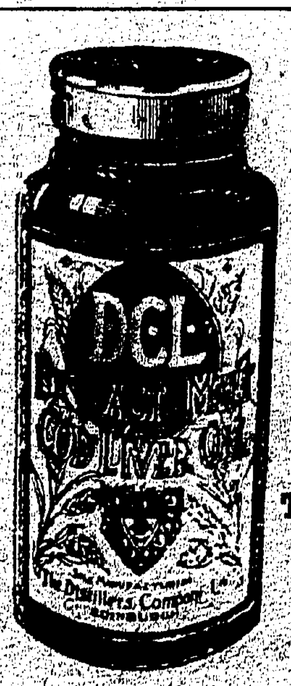

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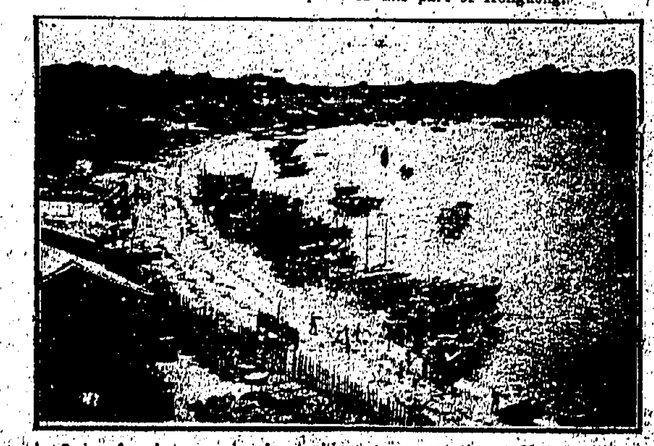
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Messrs. Lammert Bros. are selling by auction at their sales rooms, Duddell Street, on Friday, a quantity of ship fittings and miscellaneous goods.

The offices of the P. and O. Banking Corporation will be in Prince's Building, Chater Road (the premises until recently occupied by the Yokohama Specie Bank), on and after Monday, September 20.

A telegram has been received in Tientsin stating that on appeal the sentence on the Compradore and shroff of the Lienshing at Weihaiwei was reduced from one year's hard labour to six months' simple imprisonment.

Mr. Roy E. DeLay, Managing Director of the Kellogg Switchboard and Supply Company, announces that his Company has just signed a contract with the Manchurian Provincial Government to erect a Radio Telephone Broadcasting Station in Harbin. This is the first contract to be let for a Government Broadcasting Station in China. The power of the Harbin Station will be 1,000 watts.

The following has been sent to the members of the residents of the Peak by the Peak Residents' Association:—

Bearers of all public chairs have been instructed that on their arrival at any house, after having been sent for, they are to ring the door bell and inform the No. 1 Boy of their arrival, and that they are on no account to shout out that they have arrived. Any infringement of this regulation should be reported to Inspector Shannon, Gough Hill Police Station.

Hong Kong is to have another visit from Dick Norton's company, the "Globe Trotters," who are returning from a successful tour in Java where they have strengthened their organisation by the addition of three new artistes. Two of these, Dr. Ralph Lynne and Miss Gladys Cathie, recently concluded a successful continental tour as speciality dancers, securing second prize at the international competition held in Paris when 400 competitors from all parts of the world took part. Mr. Dimoff, the other new artiste, is a clever exponent of the Balalaika, an instrument with three strings.

Twenty-five persons were killed in Louisiana United States, when a fierce storm struck the country. Corn, sugar and rice harvests were destroyed. Damages are estimated at 5,000,000 gold dollars.

Another Russian aeroplane belonging to the Soviet aviation company "Aviatchim" arrived at Berlin from Moscow via Koenigsburg. The plane is making a Central European round trip and will visit four capitals.

Berlin, September 2.—A strong campaign has been opened in Czecho-Slovakia against the Foreign Minister, Dr. Benes, by Fascist party organs. The "Prave Lidu" claims that the campaign is inaugurated and backed by Italian money.

Three were killed and many wounded in a daring Bank robbery at Warshaw. The thieves who entered the bank in broad daylight, threatened the employees with revolvers. They stole $8,000, which later were recovered when one of the bandits was killed and another captured. The third escaped.

Moscow, September 4.—The Communist organ, the Pravda, declares that Marshal Chang Tso-lin is "determined to cripple by violent means the Chinese Eastern Railway, as the railway during the last few months, has carried considerably more traffic than the South Manchuria Railway, which is controlled by the Japanese, whom the Soviet Press accuses of supporting the Marshal for their own ends. The paper says the Soviet Government will submit to no provocation, but will continue its policy which is exclusively in defence of the workers of Russia and China.

Harbin, August 28.—In view of the fact that the Chinese Military Wireless Station in this city is intercepting radio news, broadcasted at Nauen and other places, and selling it to local newspapers, besides handling a private telegraph service for the purpose of money-making, the local Japanese Consul-General has filed a protest with General Tsai, Taoyin of Harbin, requesting him to suspend the handling of the private telegraph service on the ground that such conduct on the part of the Chinese Military Wireless Station is contrary to the Shuangchiao Wireless Contract.

Shanghai banknotes, especially the banknotes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, are in great demand in Swatow by the Chinese officials, and they are being purchased at about 20 per cent. premium instead of discount.

Several cattle-maiming outrages have been committed recently in the eastern parishes of Jersey. Two valuable cows belonging to Mr. J. P. Buesnel, of Cottage Farm, St. Martin were injured in the stomach and had their tails cut off. One of the injured animals, the winner of a third prize at the St. Martin's cattle show, had been sold for export to Canada.

Reports have been made by people coming in from the northern part of Mienyang, on the Han River, that this important strategic centre is being heavily guarded. On the 29th ult., there was some bomb-throwing which resulted in the death of ten-odd naval men; but as there had been no arrests made in connection with this those who reported the incident were unable to say whether it was the result of accident or enemy action.

The lighthouse on Bardsey Island, off the coast of Carnarvon, has been equipped by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds with bird-rests similar to those at the Caskets, Isle of Wight; St. Catherine's, Isle of Wight, Spurn Point, East Yorkshire, and South Bishop, Pembrokeshire. These rests are highly appreciated by migratory birds coming to and leaving England's shores, and also prevent the destruction of birds at the lighthouse lantern.

The directors of an assurance company have voted a sum of £1,200 for the purchase of radium to be used in the treatment of cancer at Westminster Hospital. This is the result of an investigation carried out on their behalf into the results already achieved. Evidence was produced, says an official statement, from the Westminster Hospital that in numerous cases, provided there is easy access, the cancer has disappeared as the result of the application of radium and the patient has been enabled to resume a fairly normal life, although it is, of course, too early to justify an assertion that permanent cure has been effected.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. Hiroji Uyemura has been appointed Sub-Manager of the local office of the N.Y.K., vice Mr. J. Wada, transferred to the Head Office, Tokyo.

Prince Louis Ferdinand of Prussia, second son of the former German Crown Prince, has arrived at Buenos Aires on the steamer "Madrid."

The forthcoming wedding is announced of John O'Brien, accountant, residing at No. 530, Nathan Road, to Beatrice Maria Castro, residing at St. Joseph's Building.

Names of children are wanted for the charity pantomime performance of "Little Red Riding Hood" at Christmas. They should be sent to Mrs. Gay Cuming, No. 6, Observatory Villas, Kowloon (phone K363) who is kindly taking charge, in co-operation with Miss Daisy O'Keefe.

Peking, September 6.—Advices from Mukden state that Suiyuan will be governed by Yen Hsi-shan, Governor of Shansi, as a compensation for his vigorous efforts in driving out the Kuominchun. The recent visit of General Chang Hsueh-liang to Tatung is said to have a bearing on the problem of Suiyuan.

Madame Chang Kai-shek, wife of Canton's dictator, arrived in Hong Kong by the "Fatshan" yesterday. It is believed that she is going to Shanghai by the "Empress of Russia." The "China Mail" reported yesterday that General Chang's brother had come down on Tuesday by the "Lungshan."

The marriage took place at All Saints' Church, Tientsin, of Stanley Daniel Kemsley, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, Tientsin, and Ivy Margaret Elinor Poye, of Shanhaikuan. The Rev. C. W. Scott officiated. A number of friends were present. A reception was afterwards held at 14, Via Vincenzo Rossi. There were many present. The honeymoon is being spent at Peking.

Peking, September 6.—According to private advices from London, Dr. Hu Shih, the brilliant Chinese scholar, and one of the Chinese members on the British Boxer Indemnity Commission, has arrived in London.

Mrs. Josephine Lewis Peet Wilmerding, witness in the famous Elwell murder case, has been married in London to Craig Biddle, a prominent sportsman.

The marriage took place at St. Andrew's Church, Colpetty, of William James Air, B.Sc., Engineer-in-Charge of the Locomotive Workshops, Burma Railways, with Beatrice Lily Kent, of Norwich who arrived from Home recently. The bride, who wore a dress of beige georgette with lace and a large tagel hat to match, was given away by Lieut.-Col. H. G. Gandy, of the Royal Engineers. Mr. J. R. Murray, of Colombo, acted as best man. The Rev. C. V. A. MacEchern officiated. The others present were Mrs. Gandy, Mrs. MacEchern and Mr. G. P. Adams. A reception followed at "The Manse."

Mr. R. M. Latham, J.P., of Teluk Anson, was married in Penang last week to Mrs. Gorman, who is a passenger back to Malaya by the P. & O. steamer "Morea."

Amongst the passengers who left by the "Empress of Russia" to-day were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Edwards, Mr. H. E. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. H. Humphreys, and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Potter.

Shanghai, August 30. — It is learned here that General Sun Chuan-fang has decided to fire the first shot against Canton and that this will be done as soon as General Lu Hsiang-ting has arrived in Kiangsi.

The wedding took place on Thursday, September 2, at St. George's Church, Penang, of Willy Theodor Gustav Kaempfert, manager of Goho Lama Estate, Sumatra, and Paula Martha Freytag, of Germany. The Rev. Keppel Garnier officiated and Mr. Ward presided at the organ. Messrs. H. Luenig and E. Reimann were the attesting witnesses.

London, August 29. — Mr. Richard Harrison, 89, a former Blackburn coal dealer, has returned from his fifth honeymoon, his bride, Mrs. Ann Duxbury, who is nearly 70, making her third venture in matrimony. The recent wedding of the bridegroom's son and the bride's daughter has complicated the family relationship. Mr. Harrison is a non-smoker and *teetotaler*. He walked four miles to the wedding.

Penang, September 6. — The Penang Ex-Service Association's inaugural dinner was held in the new banqueting room of the E. and O. Hotel on Saturday when over fifty were present. Major Jensen, who presided, proposed The King, and Mr. Scarborough proposed The Guests to which Mr. Hereford replied in humorous vein. The Silent Toast was proposed by Mr. Lancaster, the Air Force by Mr. Parrott and the Sister Services by Mr. Baring Gould. Mr. Justice Brown and Lt.-Col. Whyte also spoke and a very successful evening was spent, a group photograph being also taken.

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A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.
OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.
This last week has seen many stirring events in Hong Kong, Canton and other parts of China. Everything of interest is carefully described in the **Overland China Mail**, the weekly edition of the "China Mail."
Folks at Home are itching to know what has happened. What better than to send a copy of the Overland to **save** the **trouble** of writing a long letter?
MAKING NAVAL HISTORY.
Officers and men of the China Squadron have been **making history** on the Yangtse. All the despatches published daily, with copious foot-notes to tell strangers what the names of persons, places, &c. stand for, are reproduced.
Our reports give prominence to the rescue, the **names of those concerned** (also the mercantile marine officers), the **effect of the bombardment** and reprisals, and the steps towards negotiation.
Side issues at Hankow where warships and steamers have been fired upon, and in some instances retaliated, combine to make **an impressive pen picture.**
"Actions" in which American destroyers took part are also described.
RELATIONS WITH CANTON.
This week's issue also contains:—General Chang Kai-shek's **manifesto to foreigners, the circular to shipping** by the Strike Executive, reports of "scraps" with Canton, and a lengthy review of the past year's complications.
OUR NEIGHBOURS AT WAR.
All the daily **intelligence from war zones** are included, telling how Wu Pei-fu is counter-attacking, and how the southerners are asking for several **millions of dollars** from the merchants.
POLICING THE RIVER.
Step by step, the activities of the British Navy are described up to strike pickets leaving the Canton River. Explanations are included in this issue as to how Canton has begun to realise responsibilities.
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THE NOBLE ART.

IRON BUX & OTHERS PLEASE NOTE.

"GENERAL" BOOTH.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—Re the challenge of Iron Bux in to-night's "China Mail" to any middleweight in the Colony, may I remind him through your columns that Stoker G. Booth, H.M.S. "Hollyhook," middleweight champion and cup-holder Royal Navy 1924-5-6—the only undefeated Naval cupholder for the past three years—issued a similar challenge early this year?

Why did Iron Bux not pick him up then?

Readers of the "China Mail" may remember the only defeat suffered by "General". Booth in this Colony. The victor was Leading Seaman Francis, heavy-weight champion of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines 1922 and the heavyweight champion (September 1923) of "the Special Service Squadron and American battleships U.S.S. "Maryland" and "Nevada" at Rio de Janeiro."

Booth gave Francis 5 inches in height and 20 lbs. in weight. Still he put up a wonderful and clean fight against big odds. Also he has never been "put on the boards" in this Colony.

He will be leaving for England early in November. Fight fans will like to see him in a belt match before he leaves. As a matter of fact his last fight was with Sergeant Uffmaster (178 lbs.), American Legation Guard, Tientsin whom he knocked out in the 15th round.

I am certain George will be fit. He is always in training and will be ready to take the ring immediately he returns here.

Mr. J. Brook, manager of the Hong Kong Boxing Association, has Booth's records and, I think, tried to fix up between Booth and Seaman Pearce, H.M.S. "Hawkins," before she paid off this year.

It is a hope of taking time by the forelock that makes me take up so much of your vauable space.

Yours, etc.,
A. MILLS.

H.M.S. "Ambrose,"
14 Mess,
Hong Kong, Sep. 14.

U.S. TENNIS.

LATEST CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS.

Forest Hills, Sept. 15.

In the U.S. national lawn tennis championships, Tilden beat the young player, Arnold Jones, the former Yale University star, in five sets.

J. Brugnon (France) beat Dr. King, also in five sets.

H. Cochet (France) beat Hunter; and Lacoste (France) beat Alonso (Spain), while Johnston and J. Borotra (France) also won their matches.—Reuter's American Service.

REGIMENTAL BOXING.

The 1/East Surrey Regt. will hold a boxing tournament at Murray Barracks, starting on Monday and extending over two or three nights.

The inter-company competition for the Hong Kong Challenge Shield, and Battalion Open (in the featherweight, middleweight and light-heavyweight classes) will be competed for simultaneously.

LAWN BOWLS.

The following will represent the K.C.C. against the East Point Recreation Club in the Second Division of the League at Taikoo *on Saturday:—*

Goodwin, Lyal, A. W. Smith, and Gibson (skip).

Kern, Lammert, Fraser, and Overy (skip).

L. Jack, R. Abraham, Tacchi, and Hill (skip).

The match commences at 3.30 p.m.

INTERPORT BOWLS.

Shanghai, Sept. 15.

The Hong Kong Interport team of lawn bowlers beat a Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club team by 26 shots to 19.

Another team of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Club beat the Hankow Interport team by 28 to 8.—Reuter.

CRICKET FIGURES.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP ANALYSIS.

"THE BIG SIX."

On Lancashire winning the county championship their "record" for the season was published in the "China Mail." Appended are the doings of Yorkshire and other counties.

After being first for several years in succession, Yorkshire lost top berth by 2 points. They had to supply more players for representative games and Test Matches, but they had some worthy reserves.

Against the two defeats suffered by the champions, the White Rose county were not defeated but they drew more games and won less.

Lancashire's percentage was 75.71 and Yorkshire's 74.28.

Meeting all the other sixteen counties in the competition, Yorkshire:—

Only One Blemish.

Beat twice: Essex, Glamorgan and Sussex.

Beat once: Lancashire, Leicester, Somerset, Surrey, Warwick, Gloucester, Middlesex and Worcester. (14 wins in all).

Led on 1st innings: Hants, Kent and Northants (twice each), Derby, Gloucester, Middlesex and Warwick. (10 in all).

Lost 1st innings points to: Derby (who made the Tykes follow-on), Lancashire, Notts and Surrey (4 times in all).

Abandoned: Notts, Leicester, Worcester, Somerset.

Nottinghamshire took 3 points to 1 by Yorkshire in the return engagement, the first match being abandoned. No other county "got the better" of the ex-champions.

Rhodes, Sutcliffe, Roy Kilner and Macaulay played in the Tests. Holmes did not find his form of last year. Other mainstays were Oldroyd, Leyland, Robinson, Waddington and Dolphin. Of the "colts," Crawford and Mitchell show promise.

How Kent Fared.

Kent were third in the championship 65.71 per cent.) Their record consists of:—

Beat: Gloucester, Hants, Leicester, Northants, Notts and Warwick (twice each), Middlesex, Somerset and Essex (15 victories).

Lost to: Lancashire and Sussex. (2 defeats).

Led on 1st innings: Derby, Essex and Middlesex (three in all).

Lost 1st innings points to: Surrey and Yorkshire (twice each), Lancashire, Somerset, Sussex and Derby (8 in all).

None abandoned and did not meet Glamorgan and Worcester.

Of the team, Woolley (F. E.) played in all five Tests and A. P. F. Chapman (the new captain of England) in all but the Fourth.

Notts Were Fourth.

Notts (56.55 per cent.) just beat Surrey for fourth position. They met all the counties except Somerset and the result is:—

Beat: Leicester and Northants (twice each), Glamorgan, Hants, Worcester, Derby, Essex, Gloucester, Middlesex, Sussex and Warwick (13 victories).

Lost to: Kent and Lancashire (twice each), Middlesex, Glamorgan and Surrey (7 defeats).

Led on 1st innings: Derby, Essex, Sussex and Yorkshire (4 in all).

Lost 1st innings points to: Gloucester, Surrey, Warwick, Hants and Worcester (5 in all).

Abandoned with: Yorkshire.

A. W. Carr and Larwood were capped for England.

Hobbs and His Side.

Surrey (56.36 per cent.) did not do so well as in previous seasons owing to a weakness in bowling. Their record is:—

Beat: Gloucester (twice), Essex, Somerset, Leicester, Middlesex and Notts (7 victories).

Lost to: Lancashire, Sussex, Yorkshire and Glamorgan (4 defeats).

Led on 1st innings: Hants and Kent (twice each), Notts, Somerset, Lancashire and Yorkshire (8 in all).

Lost 1st innings points to: Leicester, Sussex and Warwick (3 in all).

Abandoned with: Glamorgan, Middlesex, Warwick and Essex (four).

Surrey did not meet Derby, Northants and Worcester.

With Hobbs in the side, the Oval team was always popular. Hobb's average was published yesterday. With him in the Tests was Strudwick, England's stumper. Other leading players in the side were P. G. H. Fender (captain), D. R. Jardine, A. Jeacocke, E. R. T. Holmes, Sandham, Ducat and Shepherd.

Middlesex Sixth.

Middlesex (53.68 per cent.) is the remaining one of the 'big *six." After remaining second to* Yorkshire for some time, the Lord's team finished badly and were sixth. Details are:—

Beat: Gloucester, Somerset and Sussex (twice each), Essex, Notts, and Worcester. (9 victories).

Lost to: Kent, Notts, Surrey and Yorkshire (4 defeats).

Lost 1st innings points to: Hants and Warwick (twice each), Yorkshire and Kent (6 in all).

Abandoned with Lancashire (twice), Surrey, Essex and Worcester (5 in all).

Middlesex did not play Derby, Glamorgan, Leicester, Northants.

Hendren played in all Five Tests, Hearne in the First and G. T. S. Stevens in the last two.

HOME SOCCER.

LATEST RESULTS IN MID-WEEK.

SMALL SCORES PREVAIL.

London, Sept. 15.

Matches in the English Football League to-day (home team given first) resulted:—

Division I.

Bury 0, Blackburn 2.
Everton 0, West Bromwich 0.
Leeds 3, Aston Villa 1.
Manchester United 2, Arsenal 2.

Division II.

Reading 0, Hull 1.

Div. III (South).

Exeter 1, Bristol Rovers 1.
Gillingham 2, Coventry 0.
Southend 3, Brentford 1.
Watford 1, Crystal Palace 2.

Div. III (North).

Wrexham 1, Walsall 2.
Nelson 2, New Brighton 0.

—Reuter.

LEAGUE BASEBALL.

CLUB COMPLETE THEIR FIXTURES.

WITH A VICTORY.

In their final meeting in the Baseball League yesterday, the Hong Kong Baseball Club made up for their two previous defeats by winning from the Club de Recreio by 11 runs to 2 in the game of five innings.

The pitching of the Baseball Club was excellent and their men were in good batting form. In the fourth inning Hines assisted two men home with a three-bagger, and Ransom followed with a home run hit to left field. With three other hits in this inning the score mounted to eight runs.

Remedios and Alves were tried as change pitchers for the Club de Recreio, but they failed to do much against the batting form of the Club.

The Club de Recreio scored singles in the last two innings through stealing by Gosano and Alves.

Teams and score details were as under:—

Club.		Recreio.
Hines	1b.	Silva
Ransom	2b.	M. Barros
Cockey	p.	D. Xavier
Davies	l.f.	H. Barros
Muccio	s.s.	Alves
Harrell	3b.	Gosano
Mahon	r.f.	Guterres
Ismail	c.	Figueiredo
Rankin	c.f.	Pereira

	1	2	3	4	5	
Club	0	2	0	8	1	—11
Recreio	0	0	0	1	1	— 2

Runs.—Davis, Muccio, Hines (2), Ismail, Rankin, Ransom, Cockey, Harrell (1); Gosano, Alves (1).

Hits.—Club 9, Recreio 6.

Strike-out.—Cockey 6, Xavier 2, Alves 1.

Three-base hits. — Muccio, Hines, Guterres.

Two-base hit.—Muccio.

Home run.—Ransom.

To-day's Game.

South China are playing their last game at 5 p.m. to-day, their opponents being the Defence Corps. A win will give them the championship. South China have lost only two games but they have defeated the Japanese in all three games.

LEAGUE TABLE.

The League table now stands at:—

	W.	L.	Pct.
South China	12	2	.857
Japanese	9	3	.749
Filipinos	7	7	.500
Club de Recreio	5	7	.416
H.K. Baseball Club	5	10	.333
Defence Corps	2	11	.153

The annual general meeting of the Kowloon Football Club will be held in the Club's pavilion at 5.45 p.m. on Friday September 24.

R.A. SWIMMERS.

AQUATIC SPORTS HELD YESTERDAY.

RESULTS & OFFICIALS.

The Royal Artillery (in Hong Kong) held their aquatic sports meeting yesterday in the R.A.S.C. camber.

Service men with their wives and families were present in large numbers to see a programme of very interesting events.

An "extra" was included for children (girls and boys), also competitions for the Indian contingent in the Hong Kong and Singapore Brigade, Royal Artillery.

At the conclusion, Mrs. Robinson, wife of Col. F. A. T. Robinson, commanding H.K. S. Bde., R.A., presented the prizes. Mrs. Robinson was introduced and thanked by Lt.-Col. W. A. Edmeades, D.S.O., R.A.

The officials for the meeting were:—

President: Lt.-Col. W. A. Edmeades, D.S.O., R.A.

Vice-Presidents: Major P. Rashleigh, D.S.O., R.A., Major and Bt. Lt.-Col. H. H. L. G. Gunn, D.S.O., M.C., R.A.

Judges and Starters: Capt. E. S. G. Howard, M.C., R.A., Capt. G. Barrett, R.A. Lt. C. E. Fenely, R.A., Lieut. J. T. Bigg, R.A., Lieut. A. J. F. Sugden, R.A.

Time keepers and Recorders: Capt. W. A. Fausset, R.A., R.S.M. Godwin, B.S.M., T. G. Hollingsdale, Q.M.S. A. G. Parsons, Sergt. Goodlace, Mr. Gr. Fodden.

Secretary Lt. J. A. Chester, R.A.

The Results.

Unit relay race.—1, 12th Heavy Battery, R. A. Time: 4 mins. 47.2/5 secs.

Life saving competition.—1, Gnrs. Beamiss and Robinson; 2, Mr. Gnr. Broadhurst and Gnr. Carr.

High dive.—1, Gnr. Armstrong; 2, Gnr. Spacey.

Individual championship open to W. O.'s and N. C. O.'s—1, Lce.-Bdr. Norris; 2, Lee-Bdr. Taylor. Time: 2 mins. 1 sec.

Individual championship open to gunners.—1, Gnr. Bowdon; 2, Gnr. Rachell. Time: 2 mins. 8.1/5 secs.

Tug-o'-War.—1, 25th Heavy Battery.

Obstacle race.—1, Gnr. Norris; 2, Gnr. Hall.

CHANNEL SWIMMING.

WHY PEOPLE DELIGHT IN RECORDS.

I have heard various people remark, writes "John Blunt" in the "Daily Mail," that swimming the Channel is a perfectly useless undertaking, and that they cannot understand why so many people attempt it and why their attempts gain so much publicity and arouse so much interest.

But I think that people who talk in such a fashion hold too material a view of what is useful and know very little about human psychology. Miss Ederle's feat was certainly of no commercial value to the world at large, and does not add to our knowledge of navigation, but it aroused the enthusiasm of the world because it was a great feat of endurance and skill which created a record.

All our lives we wage a war with the forces of Nature and everybody likes to hear of people who, now and again, seem to carry the war as it were, into the enemy's camp. That is one of the reasons why feats of extraordinary endurance and pluck, such as swimming the Channel, walking a hundred miles in a day, climbing a prodigious mountain, and so forth, excite such universal interest.

Value of Games.

Again, the sporting spirit is very strong in humanity—and who could deny that in every sense, save the very narrowest, a sporting spirit is extremely useful? Would the strict utilitarians wish us to give up games because the playing of them does not add directly to the real wealth of the world?

I can scarcely imagine even the most unimaginative economist arguing in such a way, and yet those who assert that swimming the Channel is useless and our interest in Channel swimmers a sign of inanity are really *arguing* that the sporting spirit is a thing of no significance.

Of course one can overdo sport, just as one can overdo anything else, but that is no argument against sport. One might just as well argue that eating is a bad thing because eating too much makes one ill.

To The Credit Of Mankind.

Moderation, either in thought or deed, is not too common a quality. But though individuals are often unwise, public opinion is, as a rule, pretty sound, and one ought to be careful how one despises what interests vast numbers of one's fellow citizens.

It is certain that millions of people felt a thrill when they read that a girl of 18 had swum the Channel, and though it is easy to regard the excitement as rather absurd, it is wiser to try to discover why such an event should cause such a commotion.

All stupendous feats, whether of the mind or of the muscles, redound, in a sense, to the credit of mankind in general, and give humanity a better opinion of itself. That is a factor we ought not to forget.

People sun themselves in the accomplishments of others, for the thought that men and women are capable of so much is naturally flattering.

AQUATIC SPORTS.

COLONY'S BIG MEETING FIXED.

V.R.C. NIGHT FETE.

The annual aquatic sports meeting of the V.R.C. (including the Colony's recognised championships) will be held on October 7, 8 and 9.

Entries for the third Night Fete on Saturday closed yesterday and the following are the names of the entrants:—

Members 100 yards aggregate:—A. May, E. O. Murphy, E. Zimmern, F. W. T. Ross and B. Assumpcao.

50 yards race, members whose time is 30 seconds or over:—J. A. Victor, S. H. Garrod, A. W. Summers, E. Zimmern, A. P. Eca da Silva, B. M. Talati, J. Noronha, I. M. Alarakia, J. A. de V. Soares, M. P. Remedios, jr., J. M. Alves, P. N. da Silva, M. Kazem, J. Barros, B. Alves, F. W. T. Ross and W. G. Lawson.

High dive (post entries):—C. Evans, W. G. Urquhart, A. May, F. M. Roza Pereira, E. W. Railton, and A. Kitchell.

Ladies 100 yards (post entries):—M. Gourlay, I. Brawn, W. J. Blundson, Doris Hunt, and Phyllis Hunt.

100 yards back stroke, members:—A. May, B. Assumpcao and M. Kazem.

100 yards boys race, under 16 (post entries):—B. Smith, B. Plunnet, W. Coysh, R. Silva Netto, E. Lawrence, L. Barros, W. Lawrence, P. Botelho, H. Soejimae, E. Roza, R. Campos, J. McCubbin, A. McCubbin, K. G. Evans, J. S. Lyon, C. Gaan, and Ed. Roza.

Inter-hong team race, teams of six:—Hong Kong Electric Co., Shewan Tomes and Co., Chartered Bank, Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Kowloon Docks.

Boys' race.—1, K. Jacobs; 2, R. Land.

Girls' race.—1, V. Vant; 2, I. Jacobs.

Half mile team race.—1, 38th Heavy Battery. Time: 15 mins. 50 secs.

Sub-section relay race.—1, 12th Heavy Battery.

Water Polo.—The "Rest" beat the winners of the League (38th Heavy Battery) by two goals to nil.

"CLOSE SEASON."

BALDWIN ON CABINET WORRIES.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, the Prime Minister, and Mrs. Baldwin recently attended a fete held by the Severn Stoke, Worcestershire, Women Unionists' Association at Croome Court, the residence of the Earl of Coventry.

Mr. Baldwin said if they wanted to preserve pheasants and partridges they had to have a close season. The same was necessary for salmon and Prime Ministers. It was perfectly impossible for any man to talk for twelve months in the year without talking more nonsense than he would like to do, and just a month's respite in the year enabled him to collect his thoughts and minimise the chance of talking nonsense.

Complimenting Commander Eyres Monsell, the Chief Whip, who was present, on his work, the Premier said he had to keep in order a large pack, nearly all dogs of all ages and all kinds of experience, and some of them had hunted with other packs.

One of the chief sources of regret he had in his life, added Mr. Baldwin, was that he now had to keep in London. It was a curious and not very pleasant feeling to walk about in a Worcestershire lane near one's own home and find the children did not know one by sight. "I find in London now I am getting known by sight," he said. "I saw two very rough-looking men on the pavement the other day, and one said to the other, 'That's the old bloke.' Sometimes I don't even hear that in Worcestershire, and one cannot help looking forward to the time when one's job is done."

On Wednesday two fresh cases of enteric fever (typhoid) were reported, both Chinese *from the city.*

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, SEPTEMBER 16, 1926, 10.30 a.m.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association.	Estate Brokers' Share & Real Society.
T.T. on London	2/1⅞	2/1⅞	2/1⅞
T.T. on Shanghai	78⅜	78⅜	nom.
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1100 s	1090 s	1095 b
do. London.	£121 n	—	£123½ n
Chartered Bank	£28 b	£21 b	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£30½ n	£30½ n	—
do. C.	£13⅜ n	£13½ n	—
P. & O. Bank	£9¾ b	£10 b	—
Bank of East Asia	$84 n	$83 s	$82 s
Marine Insurances.			
Canton Insurance	625 s	610 s	$625 s
China Underwriters	1½ n	1.90 n	1 s
North China Insurance	T145 n	T140 n	—
Union Insurance	287 s	285 sa	$285 s
Yangtze Insurance	35 b. Mex	40	—
Fire Insurances.			
China Fire Insurance	200 b	200 b 210 s	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	600 n	610 s	$600 s
Shipping.			
Douglases	25 b	25½ b	25 n
Hongkong Steamboats	26¼ n	25 s	25 s
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	1½ n	2 n	1½ s
Indo-Chinas (Pref)	30 b	30 n	30 b
do. (Def.) Ltd.	42 b	—	40 s
do. (,,) Hk.	—	40 n	—
Oriental Navigation	—	—	—
Shell Transports	90/- b	90/- b	92/6 n
Star Ferries	60 s	60 s	$60 s
Water-boats	15¼ n	15 s	13 b
Refineries.			
China Sugars	21 s	20 s	18 s
Malabon Sugars	36 n	36 b 37 s	36 n
Mining.			
Benguets	1¼ n	[illegible]	—
Kailan Mining Ad.	40/- s	42/6 n	47/6 n
Langkats (Combined)	23½ b	T23½ b	T23½ b
do. (Single)	12½ n	12 n	—
Shanghai Exploration	5 n	5 n	—
Shanghai Loan	7 n	6½ n	—
Raubs	$4¾ n	$5 n	5 s
Tronoh Mines	80 b	80 b	—
Ural Caspians	—	—	—
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	$110 s	108 s	$108 s
H.K. & W. Docks	58½ n	56 s	57 s
Hongkews	T170 b	—	170 b
New Engineerings	6,10 b	T6½ n	6¼ b
Shanghai Docks	115½ n	115½ b	116 b
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	8¼ b	8¼ b 8½ s	8¼ b
do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	60 n	56 s	56 s
Hongkong Realty	7½ n	7¼ s	7 n
H.K. Territorial	4 s	4 s	4 s
Humphreys Estates	13b 13.60 s	13 b 13¼ s	13 s
Prince's Building	89 s	87 s	—
Rural Lands	1½ n	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	[illegible] b	9.10 b	10 b
Orientals	2½ b	2½ b	2½ b
Shanghai Cottons (old)	51 b	52 b	52 b
do. (new)	26 b	27 b	26 b
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ices	—	—	—
Cements (comb.)	$7½ n	$5 s	$7 n
do. (old)	12 n	10½ s	9¼ s
do. (new)	11 n	9¼ s	8¼ s
China Buses	1¾ n	1.10 b 1¼ s	1.10 b
China Lights (comb.)	10½ n	—	—
do. (old)	19 n	16 s	16½ b
do. (new)	13¼ n	11½ b 12 s	11½ s
China Prov. (comb	10 n	8 s	9 s
do. (old)	—	—	—
do. (new)	5 s	5 b 5½ s	4.80 b
Dairy Farms	16¾ s	15½ b 16 s	15½ s
Der A. Wing (full pd.)	6 s	7 s	—
do. (part pd.)	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements	11¾ b	11¾ b	11½ b
H.K. Constructions	2¼ n	3 s	3½ s
Hongkong Electrics	58 s	55¼ n	56 s
H.K. Developments	—	5 cts. s	—
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	26 s	—	30 n
do. (old)	10 s	10 s	10 n
do. (new)	5 s	5 s	5 n
Hongkong Tramways	22 s	22¼ s	22 s
Lane, Crawfords	9 n	7½ s	7 s
Macao Electrics	35 n	—	—
Mackintosh	10½ n	—	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	—	9 b	—
Peak Trams (old)	15¾ n	16 s	17 n
do. (new)	7.00 n	8 n	7½ s
Sinceres	11 n	9½ b	8½ n
Singapore Trams	14.16 b	16.6 b	—
Taxis	3 s	3 s	2 s
United Asbestos	20 s	—	—
(Founders)	—	600 n	—
do. (Ordinary)	—	18 n	—
Watsons (old)	13 s	12 b 12½ s	12½ s
do. (new)	—	—	—
Wm. Powells	6½ n	5 b 5½ s	5 n
H.K. Telephone	—	—	3¾ b

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Delta" from Hong Kong arrived London on September 18 at 11 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" left Shanghai for this port on September 14 at 5 p.m. and is due here on September 17 at about 7 a.m.

The B. I. s.s. "Tilawa" will leave Amoy for this port on September 18 at p.m. and is due here on September 19 at p.m.

TYPHOON WARNING.

We are indebted to the American Consul-General for the following typhoon warning:—

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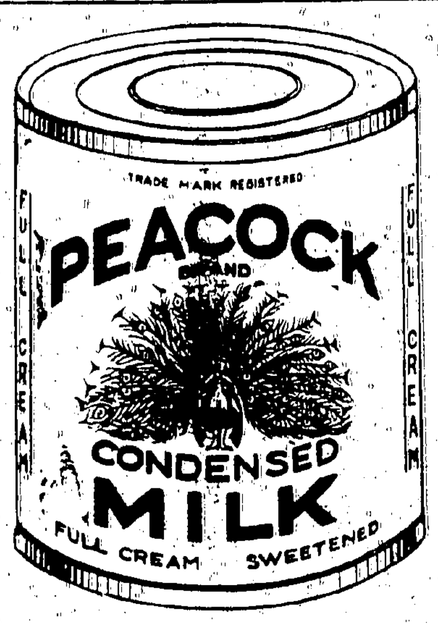

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People and Events in the News of the World

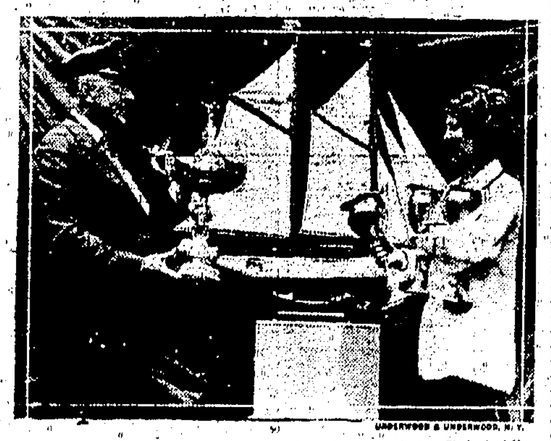
This odd looking chair was built out of cow horns and, whilst its present occupant is no test of its strength, it is claimed that it will easily support the weight of twenty men.

Carl Laemmle, cinema magnate, was taken seriously ill in London.

Governor Al Smith, of New York, will be a candidate for President.

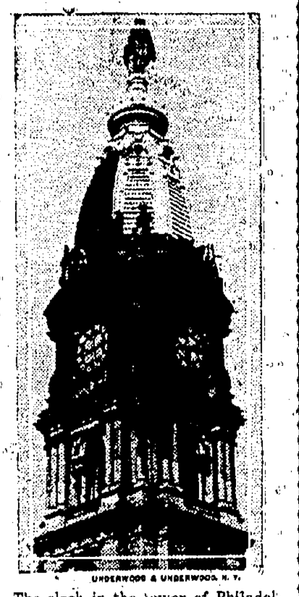
B. Ivanoff, world champion sword dancer, does not confine his efforts to dancing with edged weapons, but swallows them as well. He is one of the troop of Russian Cossacks on a tour of the world, giving demonstrations of other ability as horsemen, swordsmen, and dancers.

Society folks of the "Golden State" have taken up whippet racing as a new fad. At Pasadena a track has been built for the speedy animals and regular meets are held with girls often acting as starters.



Admiral Albert Scilandof, of the Los Angeles Yacht Club, holding the "Lipton Trophy" presented to the club by the Irish Baronet for an annual race from Los Angeles to Honolulu. The race started from the California city on June 12 with eleven yachts competing in the long beat across the Pacific. Miss Judith Nelson is seen holding other trophies that were presented to contestants in the long race.

After years of effort, every known specimen of cactus has been gathered and planted in a unique garden located in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, California. Cactus plants from all over the world have been patiently planted and cultivated here and the collection is of great interest to botanists all over the world.



The clock in the tower of Philadelphia's City Hall has been the unwitting cause of controversy. It was all due to the fact that the timekeeper was being repainted in preparation of the Sesqui-centennial which was held in the Quaker City recently. Mr. J. B. Ladd, an engineer, stated that not three people in a hundred could describe the figures on the clock correctly, though they looked at it every day. Were the hours indicated by numerals, Roman figures or what. The photo shows that each hour is marked the same.

Spaniards under suspicion were held in jail in Paris during the visit there of Primo de Rivera, Spanish Premier.

"Peaches" and Edward Browning, her "fairy prince" mate, took attention away from President Coolidge when they stopped at Paul Smith's, near where the executive is spending the Summer.

These nuns were the first refugees from the religious strife in Mexico to arrive in New York.

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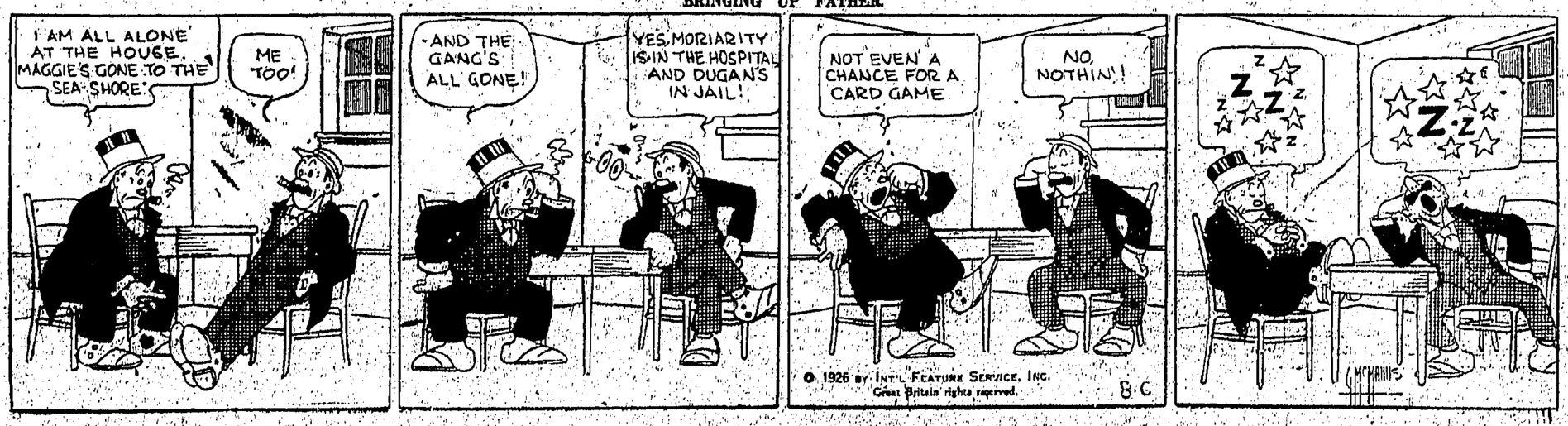

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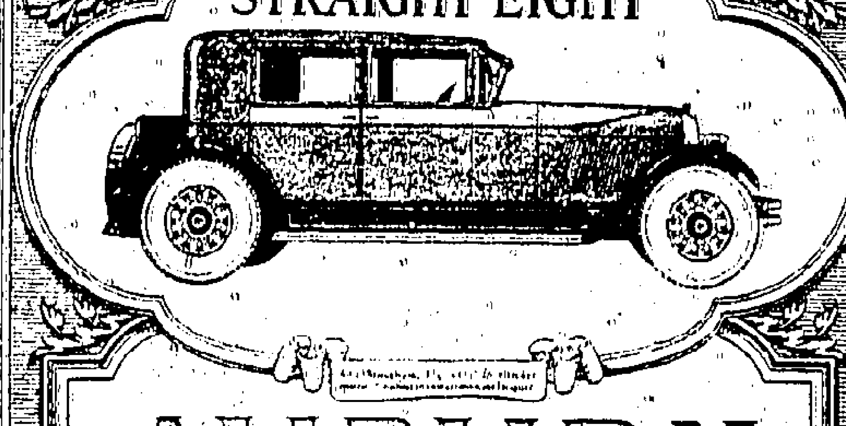

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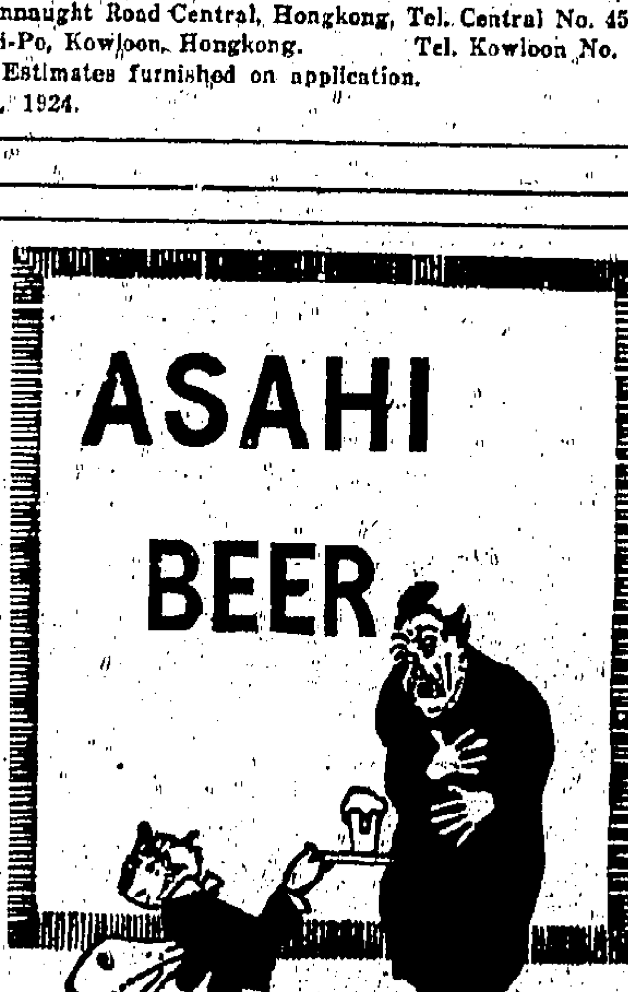

IN HANDCUFFS.

PRISONER'S PROTEST TO A STATION CROWD.

Shoreham, July 23.—Holiday-makers waiting on the crowded platform of the station here this afternoon were startled by a sensational protest made by a prisoner in charge of two policemen.

The prisoner, a tall man with a slight military moustache, wearing shorts, strode to the edge of the platform. He lifted his manacled wrists above his head, and cried in impassioned tones. "Listen to this, all you people. I, an ex-officer, who spent four years fighting for this land, am to have a month's imprisonment for claiming a few yards of it to live on! Think of it, a month's imprisonment—and this is a 'free country.'"

Passengers, porters, and officials crowded round and listened. No one uttered a word.

The man continued, "My name is Captain Harold Hubert Vincent, B.A., B.Sc., of the Tank Corps. I pitched my tent seven weeks ago on the Downs at the back of Shoreham, putting wire round it as I used to do in camp.

"I came here for a sun cure under medical orders. I was told that I was trespassing on the land I had fought for, and six men came to turn me off this morning. Six men to one! I let fly with both hands—and that is why I have these on," and once again the handcuff flashed in the sun.

A woman on the opposite side of the platform broke the tense silence that followed by asking Captain Vincent for some more particulars.

Just then the Worthing train arrived, and with a smart tap on the shoulder the prisoner was ushered by his escort into a third-class compartment.

Captain Vincent was accused of assaulting Lieut.-General Sir George F. Gorringe, of Kingston Farm, Kingston-by-Sea, who accompanied the police when they went to eject him from the farmlands on which he was encamped. The magistrates imposed a fine with the option of a month's hard labour. Vincent refused to pay and elected to go to jail.

PROHIBITION.

A FORM OF FANATICISM.

New York, September 5.

That the continued prosperity of the United States is more important than the prohibition question in the ensuing Fall elections was the statement made to-day by Representative John Q. Tilson, Republican floor leader in the House. In the capacity of eastern campaign director of the Republican senatorial committee he said those who are attempting to make prohibition the principal issue were "permitting their good sense to be obscured by a form of fanaticism."—"Associated Press."

AMERICAN FLIER.

MAKES TRIP OVER ANDES RANGE.

Buenos Aires, September 4.

James Doolittle, an American aviator arrived from Santiago, Chile, after making a spectacular flight over the Andes Mountains in 7 hours and 37 minutes. Death would have been inevitable if he had been forced to land in the mountainous country. He made the flight under the severe handicap of two swollen ankles which he sprained recently.—"United Press."

H.K. HOTEL RESIDENTS.

September [illegible]

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PLANTERS' FUND.

MEMBERSHIP INCREASED TO OVER 1,000.

At a meeting of the Board of the Malayan Planters' Provident Fund which took place on August 24, 82 further applications for membership were considered. It was noted that, including applications known to be coming forward but not yet to hand, the fund has already attained to a membership in excess of 1,000.

A further investment in British War Loans was decided upon, bringing the total investments to:—

5 per cent. Singapore Municipal Debentures $150,000.

5 per cent. British War Loan £30,000.

The latter security was purchased at prices slightly over par.

The securities now held and authorised to be purchased are sufficient to cover all contributions three months in advance, and moneys coming in are therefore automatically invested on receipt.

Correspondence upon the subject of insurance was considered and it was decided to appoint an expert in London with a view to obtaining a detailed report upon this subject.

AT THE STAR.

POLA NEGRI IN "SPANISH DANCER."

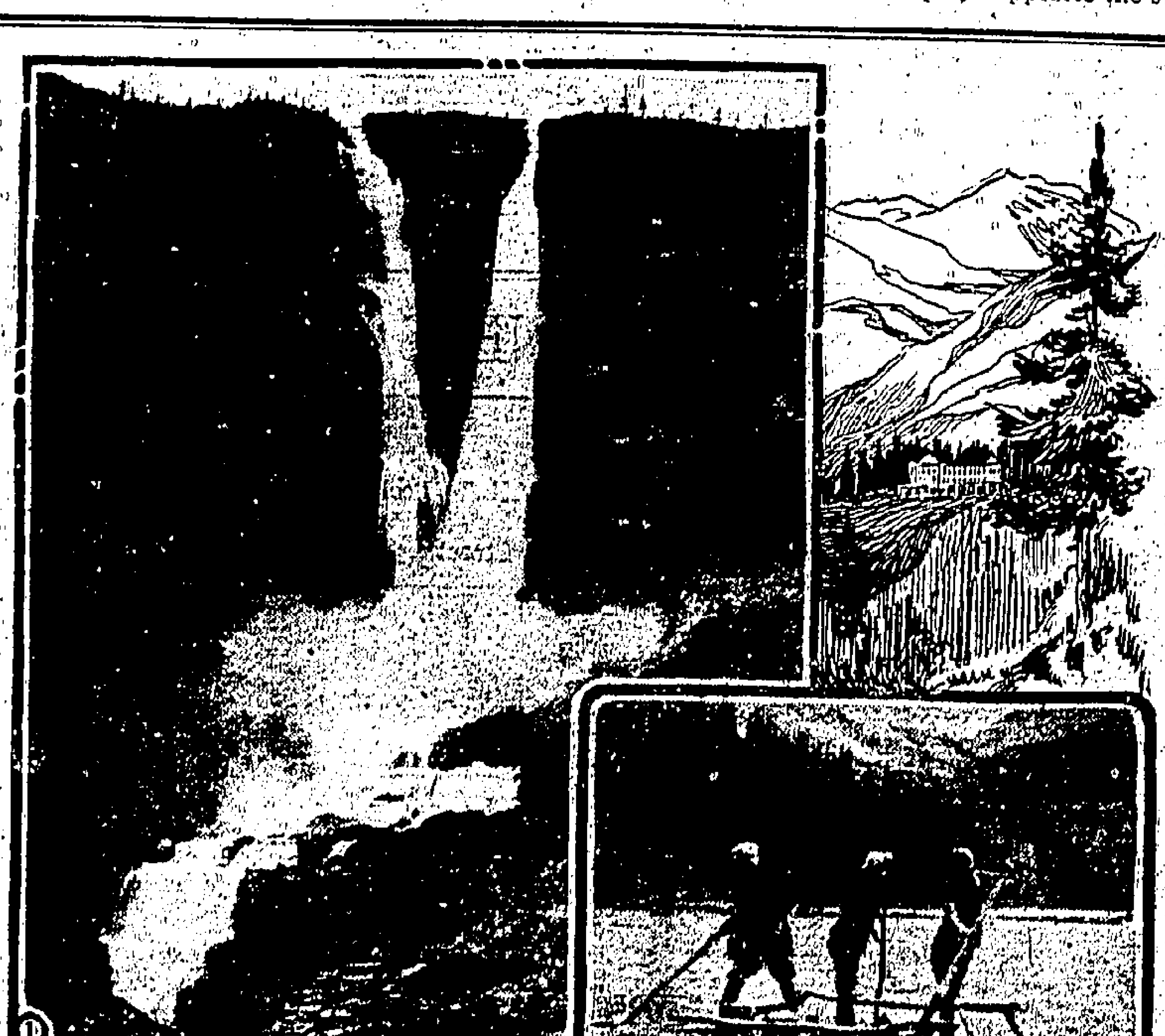
Pola Negri is the star of the picture which will be shown at the Queen's Theatre from to-day till Saturday and as promised in previous notes, it is one which is worthy the attention of all picture goers, whether admirers of this exotic little lady or not.

"The Spanish Dancer" is a costume picture with a very strong story of love, intrigue and human interest running throughout. The character of "Maritana" gives Pola Negri the greatest oportunity she has had since she came to America.

Heading a strong supporting cast are Wallace Beery, who plays the role of King Philip IV; Kathlyn Williams, as Queen Isabelle; Gareth Hughes, as Lazarillo; and Adolphe Menjou as Salluste.

All four roles are important parts of the story and give ample scope for the ability of these players. Herbert Brenon, who produced the picture, paid careful attention to the details of dress, custom and manners of the period which made the seventeenth century history in Spain so elaborate and magnificent.

The story deals with the love romance of a gypsy girl of rare beauty in Spain during the reign of Philip IV. Every scene has a value of its own and Pola Negri's role is one of extraordinary dramatic strength. Antonio Moreno plays opposite the star.



1. Twin Falls, Yoho Glacier. 2. A Raft of Fun—Lake O'Hara.

Can you imagine a span of a thousand million years or so? If you can, try to picture to yourself the place where the Rocky Mountains now stand, with their snow-crowned peaks towering into the sky, at the bottommost depths of an inland sea.

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It is a compliment, and not one undeserved, to Canada, that this book, which describes so clearly and well, the wonders and beauties of the parks and beauty spots of North America, should give over more than one-quarter of its space to Canada's great playground. Yet it cannot but be recognised that her parks are unique in their magnificence of form and beauty of color, in their preservation of game and wild creatures, and in their possession of great virginal forests and vast regions as yet unexplored.

The National Parks of Canada are 14 in number and range in area from a few square miles to 4,000 square miles. For the most part they are found in the western part of the country; while the three most beautiful Rocky Mountain parks, Banff, Yoho and Glacier, lie along the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Many well-known writers, such as Robert Sterling Yard, Zane Grey, Mary Roberts Rinehart, Henry Van Dyke, Charles Lummis, Arthur Stringer, Mary Carolyn Davies, and J. B. Harkin have contributed to this volume, which maintains a high standard of literary quality throughout. Verses of nature by equally well-known poets are scattered throughout, and there is added a complete index and bibliography. Hence besides the charm of the book it is invaluable as one of reference. It would seem that its purpose—to make better known and thus better appreciated the scenic marvels of America's wonderlands, must be accomplished.

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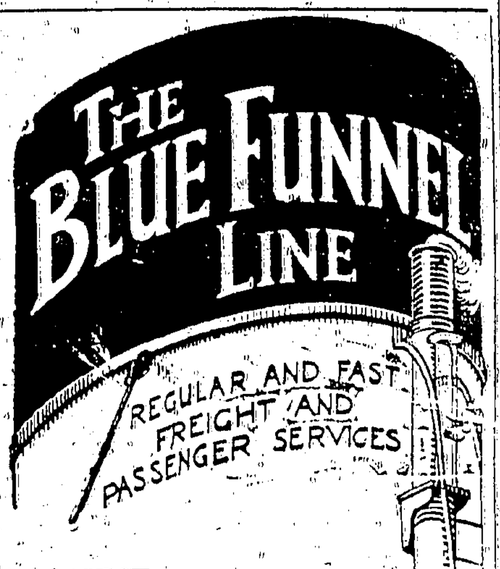

LONDON SERVICE.

"HELENUS"	21st Sept.	Marseilles, London,	Rotterdam & Hamburg
"CALCHAS"	5th Oct.	Marseilles, London,	Rotterdam & Hamburg
"PATROCLUS"	20th Oct.	Marseilles, London,	Rotterdam & Glasgow
"RHEXENOR"	2nd Nov.	Marseilles, London,	Rotterdam & Hamburg

LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

"TELEMACHUS"	17th Sept.	Genoa, Havre	Liverpool & Glasgow
"ATREUS"	20th Oct.	Genoa, Havre,	Liverpoool

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NEW YORK SERVICE.

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"NINGCHOW"	19th Nov.	New York, Boston & Baltimore.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

"PATROCLUS"	16th Sept. at 5 p.m.	for Shanghai
"PATROCLUS"	20th Oct.	Singapore, Marseilles & London.
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At the request of the Director General of Posts, Peking the 22 lb. Parcel Post Service with China has been postponed until 1st October, 1926.

NOTICE.

With reference to the Regulation published in the "Gazette" of the 10th September, concerning the issue of receiving station licences under the Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1926, it has been decided that the present arrangements will be allowed to continue until the 31st of December, 1926, and that receiving station licences will not be instaated upon until 1st January, 1927.

Application for the grant of receiving station licences may be made to the Postmaster General on or after 1st November, 1926, and any licences issued between 1st November and 31st December, 1926, will take effect as from 1st January, 1927.

Wireless Service between Hong kong and Canton is resumed.

INWARD MAILS.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16.	
Shanghai	Szechuen
U.S.A., Canada, Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Madison
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17.	
Shanghai	Malwa
Australia and Manila	Aki Maru
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18.	
Shanghai	Liangchow
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.	
Straits	Hosang
Amoy	Tilawa
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.	
Straits	Kamo Maru
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.	
Japan	Tango Maru
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24.	
Manila	Pres. Madison
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25.	
Japan	Hakusan Maru
MONDAY, OCTOBER 4.	
Australia and Manila	Arafura

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Times
THURSDAY,	SEPTEMBER 16.	
Shanghai	Patroclus	3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Telemachus	5 p.m.
Formosa	Mayebashi Maru	5 p.m.
Manila, AUSTRALIA and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 27th Sept. Parcels 5 p.m. (17th Sept.) Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Taiping	
FRIDAY,	SEPTEMBER 17.	
Shanghai *Japan & EUROPE via Siberia (letters & postcard specially superscribed "via Siberia" only	Moreas	8.30 p.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Kwong ang	10 a.m.
Japan	Aki Maru	8.30 a.m.
Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	3 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Madison	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Suiyang	5 p.m.
Amoy	Shirala	5 p.m.
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SATURDAY,	SEPTEMBER 18.	
Haiphong	Mingsang	5 p.m.
SUNDAY,	SEPTEMBER 19.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kelin Maru	9 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

NEW MINISTER.

APPOINTMENT OF MR. MILES MINISTER.

A CONFIRMATION.

London, September 15.

Mr. Miles Lampson has been appointed British Minister in Peking.—Reuter.

THE NEW AND THE OLD

Tribute to Sir Ronald Macleay.

Rugby, September 15.

The appointment is announced of Mr. Miles Lampson, head of the Central European Department of the Foreign Office, to be British Minister in Peking in succession to Sir Ronald Macleay.

For the past four years Mr. Lampson has been Counsellor in the Foreign Office and prior to this had seen much service in the Far East. In addition to special missions to Japan, he was for two years Secretary at the Tokyo Embassy. In 1916 he was appointed to Peking as Acting First Secretary and during the winter of 1919-20 he was High Commissioner in Siberia, afterward returning to Peking for a time as Charge d'Affaires.

Sir Ronald Macleay is returning to Britain toward the end of the year. He became British Minister in Peking in 1922, at a time when the Chinese political outlook had become extremely complex and obscure. Throughout the period of his mission he has had to cope with an increasingly difficult situation, the strain on his health compelling a prolonged rest in Britain during 1924. When he returned in the following year he undertook extra work as head of the British delegation to the Tariff Conference. Although troublous conditions in China were unfavourable to an early satisfactory conclusion of the Conference, Sir Ronald Mcleay contributed much toward reconciling many divergencies of view, and he and his delegation, by establishing cordial relations with the Chinese authorities, successfully dispelled the unpleasant atmosphere created by the Shanghai and other incidents in 1925.

As the Conference is temporarily in suspense owing to conditions in China the opportunity is taken to relieve Sir Ronald Macleay of the heavy task he has borne and which has involved such great physical strain. After leave he will eventually take up a new post in Europe.—British Wireless Service.

[This appointment was foreshadowed by the London Daily Telegraph on September 8. Mr. Miles Wedderburn Lampson, C.M.G., M.V.O., is a Counsellor in the Foreign Office. He was born on August 24, 1880. Educated at Eton, he entered the Foreign Office in 1903, and three years later was Secretary to the Garter Mission to Japar. He was Acting 2nd Secretary to the Legation in Tokyo from 1908 to 1910, being transferred to Sofia in 1911. In 1916 he was appointed Acting 1st Secretary in Peking, and was Acting British High Commissioner in Siberia in 1920. He has been awarded the 3rd Class Rising Sun, and the 3rd Class Sacred Treasure. He succeeds Sir James William Ronald Macleay, K.C.M.G., Minister to China, since 1922, who was born in 1870, son of the late Colonel A. C. Macleay, C.B., of the Seaforth Highlanders. He was educated at Charterhouse, and Balliol College, Oxford, for the diplomatic service which he entered as an attache in 1895. He has served in different capacities in Washington, Copenhagen, Brussels, Madrid, Constantinople, Belgrade, Mexico and as Counsellor of the Embassy to H. M. Legation in Peking. He was transferred to the Foreign Office in 1916, attached to the Peace Delegation in Paris from 1918 to 1919; appointed Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the Argentine Republic and later Minister to Paruguay. In 1922 he was transferred to Peking.]

GERMAN LOSS.

DEATH OF AN EMINENT SCHOLAR.

Jena, September 15.

The death is announced of Dr. Rudolf Eucken, the eminent German scholar.—Reuter.

[Dr. Eucken was born in 1846. He was particularly distinguished in philosophy, history and literature. In 1908 the Nobel Prize for Literature was awarded to him.]

REBELS' BLOCKADE.

ATTEMPT TO STARVE A GARRISON.

RAID ON A STEAMER.

Paul Smith's Sept. 15.

President Coolidge has signed a proclamation placing an embargo on the shipment of arms to Nicaragua.

A Managua report states that the revolutionaries have blockaded the El Bluff Customs Station by land and sea in an endeavour to starve out the garrison. They also boarded a Norwegian steamer, which was chartered by Americans, and confiscated aerial bombs and aeroplane parts consigned to the Government.—Reuter.

U.S. Peace Dove.

Washington, Sept. 15.

The Government has requested the Government of Nicaragua and the revolutionary leaders to agree to a truce during the peace negotiations.—Reuter's American Service.

NAVAL OFFENCE.

SEQUEL TO SINKING OF SUBMARINE.

COMMANDER REPRIMANDED.

Devonport, Sept. 15.

The court-martial reprimanded Lieutenant Frank Harold Skyrme, Commander of Submarine H.29, who was found guilty of omitting to take charge of the ship or having a clear understanding with his executive officer in regard to the latter's intentions in respect of trimming.—Reuter.

NOT TO BLAME.

FRANCE AND THE ITALIAN OUTRAGE.

Paris, Sept. 15.

During an interview between the Premier, M. Poincare, and the Italian Ambassador, the latter called M. Poincare's attention to the fact that Italian opinion suspected France of a certain compliance with the anti-Fascist movement.

M. Poincare easily proved that the responsibility for the criminal attempt against Signor Mussolini was solely Italian, which country alone had the possibility to prevent access to Italy of a murderer not provided with an identity pass.—Havas.

WAR DEBTS.

FRENCH AND ITALIAN INSTALMENTS.

£4,000,000 FOR BRITAIN.

London, Sept. 15.

The French and Italian Treasuries have each paid £2,000,000 into the British Exchequer on account of the war debts, being the first French instalment and the second Italian.—Reuter.

HOME AGAIN.

PRIME MINISTER'S HOLIDAY OVER.

London, Sept. 15.

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